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The following is an extract from a Report issued by the Special Board for Mathematics on May 10, 1887. (See *Cambridge University Reporter* of May 31, 1887.)

“The majority of the Board are of opinion that the rigid adherence to Euclid’s text is prejudicial to the interests of education, and that greater freedom in the method of teaching Geometry is desirable. As it appears that this greater freedom cannot be attained while a knowledge of Euclid’s text is insisted upon in the Examinations of the University, they consider that such alterations should be made in the regulations of the Examinations as to admit other proofs besides those of Euclid, while following his general sequence of propositions, so that no proof of any proposition occurring in Euclid should be accepted in which a subsequent proposition in Euclid’s order is assumed.”

The Board gives effect to this view by proposing a change in the regulations for the Previous Examination which will, if it be approved by the Senate, enact that “the actual proofs of propositions as given in Euclid will not be required, but no proof of any proposition occurring in Euclid will be admitted in which use is made of any proposition which in Euclid’s order occurs subsequently.”

This determination to maintain Euclid’s order, and to allow any methods of proof consistent with that order, is in exact accordance with the plan and execution of my Edition of Euclid’s Elements.

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# ELEMENTS OF GEOMETRY

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*BOOKS I. TO VI. AND PORTIONS OF  
BOOKS XI. AND XII. OF EUCLID*

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## P R E F A C E.

To preserve Euclid's order, to supply omissions, to remove defects, to give short notes of explanation and simpler methods of proof in cases of acknowledged difficulty—such are the main objects of this Edition of the Elements.

The work is based on the Greek text, as it is given in the Editions of August and Peyrard. To the suggestions of the late Professor De Morgan, published in the *Companion to the British Almanack* for 1849, I have paid constant deference.

A limited use of symbolic representation, wherein the symbols stand for words and not for operations, is generally regarded as desirable, and it is certain that the symbols employed in this book are admissible in the Examinations at Oxford and Cambridge.

I have generally followed Euclid's method of proof, but not to the exclusion of other methods recommended by their simplicity, such as the demonstrations by which I propose to replace the difficult Theorems 5 and 7 in the First Book. I

have also attempted to render many of the proofs, as, for instance, those of Propositions 2, 13, and 35 in Book I., and those of 7, 8, and 13 in Book II., less confusing to the learner.

In Propositions 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8 of the Second Book I have ventured to make an important change in Euclid's mode of exposition, by omitting the diagonals from the diagrams and the gnomons from the text.

In the Third Book I have deviated with even greater boldness from the precise line of Euclid's method. Thus I have given new proofs of the Propositions relating to the Contact of Circles: I have used Superposition to prove Propositions 26 to 29, so as to make each of those theorems independent of the others; and I have directed the attention of the learner to the Intersection of Loci, and to the conception of an Angle as a magnitude capable of unlimited increase.

In the Fourth Book I have made no change of importance.

My treatment of the Fifth Book was suggested by the method first proposed, explained, and defended by Professor De Morgan in his *Treatise on the Connexion of Number and Magnitude*. The method is simple and rigorous, presenting Euclid's

reasoning in a clear and concise form, by means of a system of notation, to which, I think, no valid objection can be taken. I have altered the order of the Propositions in this Book, so as to give prominence to those which are of chief importance.

The only changes in the Sixth Book to which I desire to call the reader's special attention, are the applications of Superposition in the proofs of Propositions 4 and 19.

The diagrams in Book XI. form an important feature of this Edition. For them I am indebted to the kindness of Mr. Hugh Godfray, of St. John's College, Cambridge.

The Exercises have been selected with considerable care, chiefly from the University and College Examination Papers. They are intended to be progressive and easy, so that a learner may be induced from the first to work out something for himself.

A complete series of the Euclid Papers set in the Cambridge Mathematical Tripos from 1848 to 1872 will be found on pp. 198-210 and 342-349.

I have made but little allusion to Projections, because that part of the subject is fully explained by Mr. Richardson in his work<sup>1</sup> on *Conic Sections treated Geometrically*, forming a part of RIVINGTON'S MATHEMATICAL SERIES.

During the two years in which I have been engaged on this work, I have received from Teachers of Geometry in all parts of the country so much encouragement to proceed, and so much assistance at each step of my progress, that I feel justified in asserting that no text-book on Elementary Geometry is likely to meet with general support in England, if it involve any wide departure from the Euclidean model.

It only remains for me to offer my thanks to the friends who have improved this work by their advice, and to assure each reader of the book that any suggestion for its further improvement will be thankfully received by me.

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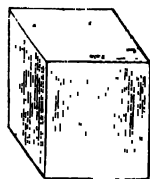


# ELEMENTS OF GEOMETRY.

## INTRODUCTORY REMARKS.

WHEN a block of stone is hewn from the rock, we call it a *Solid Body*. The stone-cutter shapes it, and brings it into that which we call *regularity of form*; and then it becomes a *Solid Figure*.

Now suppose the figure to be such that the block has six flat sides, each the exact counterpart of the others; so that, to one who stands facing a corner of the block, the three sides which are visible present the appearance represented in this diagram.



Each side of the figure is called a *Surface*; and when smoothed and polished, it is called a *Plane Surface*.

The sharp and well-defined edges, in which each pair of sides meets, are called *Lines*.

The place, at which any three of the edges meet, is called a *Point*.

A *Magnitude* is anything which is made up of parts in any way like itself. Thus, a line is a magnitude; because we may regard it as made up of parts which are themselves lines.

The properties Length, Breadth (or Width), and Thickness (or Depth or Height) of a body are called its *Dimensions*.

We make the following distinction between Solids, Surfaces, Lines, and Points:

A Solid has three dimensions, Length, Breadth, Thickness.

A Surface has two dimensions, Length, Breadth.

A Line has one dimension, Length.

A point has no dimensions.

# BOOK I.

## DEFINITIONS.

I. A **POINT** is that which has no parts.

This is equivalent to saying that a Point has no magnitude, since we define it as that which cannot be divided into smaller parts.

II. A **LINE** is length without breadth.

We cannot conceive a visible line without breadth; but we can reason about lines as if they had no breadth, and this is what Euclid requires us to do.

III. The **EXTREMITIES** of finite **LINES** are points.

A point marks *position*, as for instance, the place where a line begins or ends, or meets or crosses another line.

IV. A **STRAIGHT LINE** is one which lies in the same direction from point to point throughout its length.

V. A **SURFACE** is that which has length and breadth only.

VI. The **EXTREMITIES** of a **SURFACE** are lines.

VII. A **PLANE SURFACE** is one in which, if any two points be taken, the straight line between them lies wholly in that surface.

Thus the ends of an uncut cedar-pencil are plane surfaces; but the rest of the surface of the pencil is not a plane surface, since two points may be taken in it such that the *straight* line joining them will not lie on the surface of the pencil.

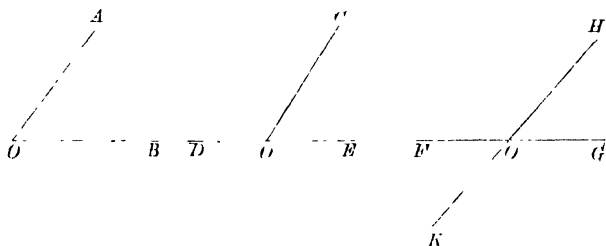
In our introductory remarks we gave examples of a Surface, a Line, and a Point, as we know them through the evidence of the senses.

The Surfaces, Lines, and Points of Geometry may be regarded as mental pictures of the surfaces, lines, and points which we know from experience.

It is, however, to be observed that Geometry requires us to conceive the possibility of the existence  
of a Surface apart from a Solid body,  
of a Line apart from a Surface  
of a Point apart from a Line.

VIII. When two straight lines meet one another, the inclination of the lines to one another is called an **ANGLE**.

When *two* straight lines have one point common to both, they are said to *form* an angle (or angles) at that point. The point is called the *vertex* of the angle (or angles), and the lines are called the *arms* of the angle (or angles).



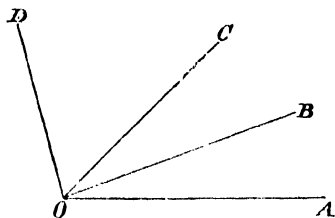
Thus, if the lines  $OA$ ,  $OB$  are terminated at the same point  $O$ , they form an angle, which is called *the angle at  $O$* , or *the angle  $AOB$* , or *the angle  $BOA$* ,—the letter which marks the vertex being put between those that mark the arms.

Again, if the line  $CO$  meets the line  $DE$  at a point in the line  $DE$ , so that  $O$  is a point common to both lines,  $CO$  is said to make with  $DE$  the angles  $COB$ ,  $COE$ ; and these (as having one arm,  $CO$ , common to both) are called *adjacent* angles.

Lastly, if the lines  $FG$ ,  $HK$  cut each other in the point  $O$ , the lines make with each other four angles  $FOH$ ,  $HOG$ ,  $GOK$ ,  $KOF$ ; and of these  $GOK$ ,  $FOH$  are called *vertically opposite* angles, as also are  $FOH$  and  $GOK$ .



When *three or more* straight lines as  $OA$ ,  $OB$ ,  $OC$ ,  $OD$  have a point  $O$  common to all, the angle formed by one of them,  $OD$ ,



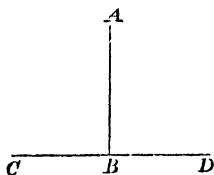
with  $OA$  may be regarded as being made up of the angles  $AOB$ ,  $BOC$ ,  $COD$ ; that is, we may speak of the angle  $AOD$  as a whole, of which the parts are the angles  $AOB$ ,  $BOC$ , and  $COD$ .

Hence we may regard an angle as a *Magnitude*, inasmuch as any angle may be regarded as being made up of parts which are themselves angles.

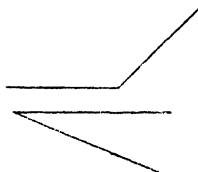
The size of an angle depends in no way on the length of the arms by which it is bounded.

We shall explain hereafter the restriction on the magnitude of angles enforced by Euclid's definition, and the important results that follow an extension of the definition.

IX. When a straight line (as  $AB$ ) meeting another straight line (as  $CD$ ) makes the adjacent angles ( $ABC$  and  $ABD$ ) equal to one another, each of the angles is called a **RIGHT ANGLE**; and each line is said to be a **PERPENDICULAR** to the other.



X. An **OBTUSE ANGLE** is one which is greater than a right angle.



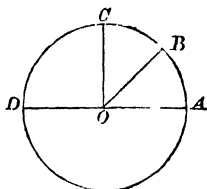
XI. An **ACUTE ANGLE** is one which is less than a right angle.

XII. A **FIGURE** is that which is enclosed by one or more boundaries.

XIII. A CIRCLE is a plane figure contained by one line, which is called the CIRCUMFERENCE, and is such, that all straight lines drawn to the circumference from a certain point (called the CENTRE) within the figure are equal to one another.

XIV. Any straight line drawn from the centre of a circle to the circumference is called a RADIUS.

XV. A DIAMETER of a circle is a straight line drawn through the centre and terminated both ways by the circumference.



Thus, in the diagram,  $O$  is the centre of the circle  $ABCD$ ,  $OA$ ,  $OB$ ,  $OC$ ,  $OD$  are Radii of the circle, and the straight line  $AOD$  is a Diameter. Hence the radius of a circle is half the diameter.

XVI. A SEMICIRCLE is the figure contained by a diameter and the part of the circumference cut off by the diameter.

XVII. RECTILINEAR figures are those which are contained by straight lines.

The PERIMETER, (or Periphery) of a rectilinear figure is the sum of its sides.

XVIII. A TRIANGLE is a plane figure contained by three straight lines.

XIX. A QUADRILATERAL is a plane figure contained by four straight lines.

XX. A POLYGON is a plane figure contained by more than four straight lines.

When a polygon has all its sides equal and all its angles equal it is called a *regular* polygon.

XXI. An **EQUILATERAL** Triangle is one which has all its sides equal.



XXII. An **ISOSCELES** Triangle is one which has two sides equal.



The third side is often called the *base* of the triangle.

The term *base* is applied to any one of the sides of a triangle to distinguish it from the other two, especially when they have been previously mentioned.

XXIII. A **RIGHT-ANGLED** Triangle is one in which one of the angles is a right angle.



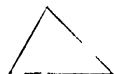
The side *subtending*, that is, *which is opposite* the right angle, is called the *Hypotenuse*.

XXIV. An **OBTUSE-ANGLED** Triangle is one in which one of the angles is obtuse.

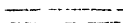


It will be shewn hereafter that a triangle can have only one of its angles either equal to, or greater than, a right angle.

XXV. An **ACUTE-ANGLED** Triangle is one in which **ALL** the angles are acute.



XXVI. **PARALLEL STRAIGHT LINES** are such as, being in the same plane, never meet when continually produced in both directions.



Euclid proceeds to put forward Six Postulates, or Requests, that he may be allowed to make certain assumptions on the construction of figures and the properties of geometrical magnitudes.

## POSTULATES

Let it be granted—

I. That a straight line may be drawn from any one point to any other point.

II. That a terminated straight line may be produced to any length, in a straight line.

III. That a circle may be described from any centre at any distance from that centre.

IV. That all right angles are equal to one another.

V. That two straight lines cannot enclose a space.

VI. That if a straight line meet two other straight lines, so as to make the two interior angles on the same side of it, taken together, less than two right angles, these straight lines being continually produced shall at length meet upon that side, on which are the angles, which are together less than two right angles.

The word rendered "Postulates" is in the original *αἰρήματα*, "requests."

In the first three Postulates Euclid states the use, under certain restrictions, which he desires to make of certain instruments for the construction of lines and circles.

In Post. I. and II. he asks for the use of the straight ruler, wherewith to draw straight lines. The restriction is, that the ruler is not supposed to be marked with divisions so as to measure lines.

In Post. III. he asks for the use of a pair of compasses, wherewith to describe a circle, whose centre is at one extremity of a given line, and whose circumference passes through the other extremity of that line. The restriction is, that the compasses are not supposed to be capable of conveying distances.

Post. IV. and V. refer to simple geometrical facts, which Euclid desires to take for granted.

Post. VI. may, as we shall shew hereafter, be deduced from a more simple Postulate. The student must defer the consideration of this Postulate, till he has reached the 17th Proposition of Book I.

Euclid next enumerates, as statements of fact, nine Axioms

or, as he calls them, Common Notions, applicable (with the exception of the eighth) to all kinds of magnitudes, and not necessarily restricted, as are the Postulates, to *geometrical* magnitudes.

#### AXIOMS.

I. Things which are equal to the same thing are equal to one another.

II. If equals be added to equals, the wholes are equal.

III. If equals be taken from equals, the remainders are equal.

IV. If equals and unequals be added together, the wholes are unequal.

V. If equals be taken from unequals, or unequals from equals, the remainders are unequal.

VI. Things which are double of the same thing, or of equal things, are equal to one another.

VII. Things which are halves of the same thing, or of equal things, are equal to one another.

VIII. Magnitudes which coincide with one another are equal to one another.

IX. The whole is greater than its part.

With his Common Notions Euclid takes the ground of authority, saying in effect, "To my Postulates I request, to my Common Notions I claim, your assent."

Euclid develops the science of Geometry in a series of Propositions, some of which are called Theorems and the rest Problems, though Euclid himself makes no such distinction.

By the name *Theorem* we understand a truth, capable of demonstration or proof by deduction from truths previously admitted or proved.

By the name *Problem* we understand a construction, capable of being effected by the employment of principles of construction previously admitted or proved.

A *Corollary* is a Theorem or Problem easily deduced from, or effected by means of, a Proposition to which it is attached.

We shall divide the First Book of the Elements into three sections. The reason for this division will appear in the course of the work.

## SYMBOLS AND ABBREVIATIONS USED IN BOOK I.

$\therefore$ for because	$\odot$ for circle
$\therefore$ .....therefore	$\bigcirc$ ce. ....circumference
$=$ .....is (or are) equal to	$\parallel$ .....parallel
$\angle$ .....angle	$\square$ .....parallelogram
$\Delta$ .....triangle	$\perp$ .....perpendicular
equilat. ....equilateral	reqd. ....required
extr. ....exterior	rt. ....right
intr. ....interior	sq. ....square
pt. ....point	sq. ....squares
rectil. ....rectilinear	st. ....straight

It is well known that one of the chief difficulties with learners of Euclid is to distinguish between what is assumed, or given, and what has to be proved in some of the Propositions. To make the distinction clearer we shall put in italics the statements of what has to be done in a Problem, and what has to be proved in a Theorem. The last line in the proof of every Proposition states, that what had to be done or proved has been done or proved.

The letters Q. E. F. at the end of a Problem stand for *Quod erat faciendum*.

The letters Q. E. D. at the end of a Theorem stand for *Quod erat demonstrandum*.

In the marginal references :

Post. stands for Postulate.

Def. .... Definition.

Ax. .... Axiom.

I. 1. .... Book I. Proposition 1.

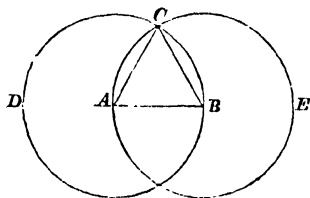
Hyp. stands for Hypothesis, *supposition*, and refers to something granted, or assumed to be true.

## SECTION I.

*On the Properties of Triangles.*

## PROPOSITION I. PROBLEM.

*To describe an equilateral triangle on a given straight line.*



Let  $AB$  be the given st. line.

*It is required to describe an equilat.  $\Delta$  on  $AB$ .*

With centre  $A$  and distance  $AB$  describe  $\odot BCD$ . Post. 3.

With centre  $B$  and distance  $BA$  describe  $\odot ACE$ . Post. 3.

From the pt.  $C$ , in which the  $\odot$ s cut one another,  
draw the st. lines  $CA$ ,  $CB$ . Post. 1.

Then will  $ABC$  be an equilat.  $\Delta$ .

For  $\because A$  is the centre of  $\odot BCD$ ,  
 $\therefore AC = AB$ . Def. 13.

And  $\because B$  is the centre of  $\odot ACE$ ,  
 $\therefore BC = AB$ . Def. 13.

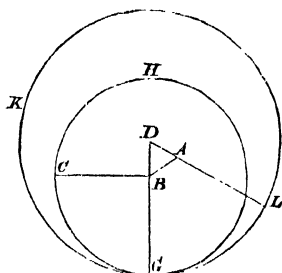
Now  $\because AC, BC$  are each  $= AB$ ,  
 $\therefore AC = BC$ . Ax. 1.

Thus  $AC, AB, BC$  are all equal, and an equilat.  $\Delta ABC$   
has been described on  $AB$ .

Q. E. F.

## PROPOSITION II. PROBLEM.

*From a given point to draw a straight line equal to a given straight line.*



Let  $A$  be the given pt., and  $BC$  the given st. line.

*It is required to draw from  $A$  a st. line equal to  $BC$ .*

From  $A$  to  $B$  draw the st. line  $AB$ . Post. 1.

On  $AB$  describe the equilat.  $\triangle ABD$ . I. 1.

With centre  $B$  and distance  $BC$  describe  $\odot CGH$ . Post. 3.

Produce  $DB$  to meet the  $\odot$ ce  $CGH$  in  $G$ .

With centre  $D$  and distance  $DG$  describe  $\odot GKL$ . Post. 3.

Produce  $DA$  to meet the  $\odot$ ce  $GKL$  in  $L$ .

Then will  $AL = BC$ .

For  $\because B$  is the centre of  $\odot CGH$ ,  
 $\therefore BC = BG$ . Def. 13.

And  $\because D$  is the centre of  $\odot GKL$ ,  
 $\therefore DL = DG$ . Def. 13.

And parts of these,  $DA$  and  $DB$ , are equal. Def. 21.  
 $\therefore$  remainder  $AL =$  remainder  $BG$ . Ax. 3.

But  $BC = BG$ ;  
 $\therefore AL = BC$ . Ax. 1.

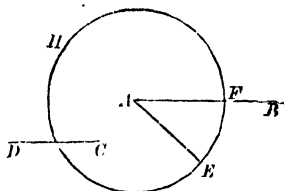
Thus from pt.  $A$  a st. line  $AL$  has been drawn  $= BC$ .

Q. E. F.



## PROPOSITION III. PROBLEM.

*From the greater of two given straight lines to cut off a part equal to the less.*



Let  $AB$  be the greater of the two given st. lines  $AB$ ,  $CD$ .

*It is required to cut off from  $AB$  a part  $= CD$ .*

From  $A$  draw the st. line  $AE = CD$ .

I. 2.

With centre  $A$  and distance  $AE$  describe  $\odot EFH$ ,  
cutting  $AB$  in  $F$ .

Then will  $AF = CD$ .

For  $\because A$  is the centre of  $\odot EFH$ ,

$\therefore AF = AE$ .

But  $AE = CD$ ;

$\therefore AF = CD$ .

Ax. 1.

Thus from  $AB$  a part  $AF$  has been cut off  $= CD$ .

Q. E. F.

## EXERCISES.

1. Shew that if straight lines be drawn from  $A$  and  $B$  in the diagram of Prop. 1. to the other point in which the circles intersect, another equilateral triangle will be described on  $AB$ .

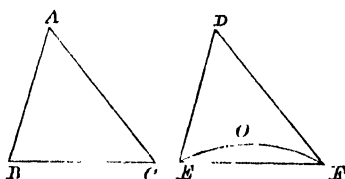
2. By a construction similar to that in Prop. III. produce the less of two given straight lines that it may be equal to the greater.

3. Draw a figure for the case in Prop. II., in which the given point coincides with  $B$ .

4. By a similar construction to that in Prop. 1. describe on a given straight line an isosceles triangle, whose equal sides shall be each equal to another given straight line.

## PROPOSITION IV. THEOREM.

If two triangles have two sides of the one equal to two sides of the other, each to each, and have likewise the angles contained by those sides equal to one another, they must have their third sides equal; and the two triangles must be equal, and the other angles must be equal, each to each, viz. those to which the equal sides are opposite.



In the  $\Delta$ s  $ABC$ ,  $DEF$ ,

let  $AB=DE$ , and  $AC=DF$ , and  $\angle BAC=\angle EDF$ .

Then must  $BC=EF$  and  $\Delta ABC=\Delta DEF$ , and the other  $\angle$ s, to which the equal sides are opposite, must be equal, that is,  $\angle ABC=\angle DEF$  and  $\angle ACB=\angle DFE$ .

For, if  $\Delta ABC$  be applied to  $\Delta DEF$ ,

so that  $A$  coincides with  $D$ , and  $AB$  falls on  $DE$ ,

then  $\because AB=DE$ ,  $\therefore B$  will coincide with  $E$ .

And  $\because AB$  coincides with  $DE$ , and  $\angle BAC=\angle EDF$ , Hyp.

$\therefore AC$  will fall on  $DF$ .

Then  $\because AC=DF$ ,  $\therefore C$  will coincide with  $F$ .

And  $\because B$  will coincide with  $E$ , and  $C$  with  $F$ ,

$\therefore BC$  will coincide with  $EF$ ;

for if not, let it fall otherwise as  $EOF$ : then the two st. lines  $BC$ ,  $EF$  will enclose a space, which is impossible. Post. 5.

$\therefore BC$  will coincide with and  $\therefore$  is equal to  $EF$ , Ax. 8.

and  $\Delta ABC$ .....  $\Delta DEF$ ,

and  $\angle ABC$ .....  $\angle DEF$ ,

and  $\angle ACB$ .....  $\angle DFE$ .

Q. E. D.

NOTE 1. *On the Method of Superposition.*

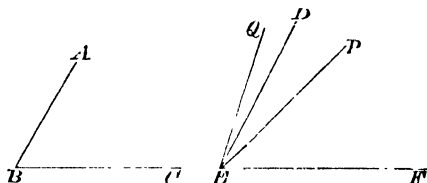
Two geometrical magnitudes are said, in accordance with Ax. VIII. to be *equal*, when they can be so placed that the boundaries of the one coincide with the boundaries of the other.

Thus, two straight lines are equal, if they can be so placed that the points at their extremities coincide : and two angles are equal, if they can be so placed that their vertices coincide in position and their arms in direction : and two triangles are equal, if they can be so placed that their sides coincide in direction and magnitude.

In the application of the test of equality by this *Method of Superposition*, we assume that an angle or a triangle may be moved from one place, turned over, and put down in another place, without altering the relative positions of its boundaries.

We also assume that if one part of a straight line coincide with one part of another straight line, the other parts of the lines also coincide in direction ; or, that straight lines, which coincide in two points, coincide when produced.

The method of Superposition enables us also to compare magnitudes of the same kind that are unequal. For example, suppose  $ABC$  and  $DEF$  to be two given angles.



Suppose the arm  $BC$  to be placed on the arm  $EF$ , and the vertex  $B$  on the vertex  $E$ .

Then, if the arm  $BA$  coincide in direction with the arm  $ED$ , the angle  $ABC$  is equal to  $DEF$ .

If  $BA$  fall between  $ED$  and  $EF$  in the direction  $EP$ ,  $ABU$  is less than  $DEF$ .

If  $BA$  fall in the direction  $EQ$  so that  $ED$  is between  $EQ$  and  $EF$ ,  $ABC$  is greater than  $DEF$ .

**NOTE 2. On the Conditions of Equality of two Triangles.**

A Triangle is composed of six parts, three sides and three angles.

When the six parts of one triangle are equal to the six parts of another triangle, each to each, the Triangles are said to be equal in all respects.

There are four cases in which Euclid proves that two triangles are equal in all respects ; viz., when the following parts are equal in the two triangles.

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|--|--------|
| 1. Two sides and the angle between them.         | I. 4.  |
| 2. Two angles and the side between them.         | I. 26. |
| 3. The three sides of each.                      | I. 8.  |
| 4. Two angles and the side opposite one of them. | I. 26. |

The Propositions, in which these cases are proved, are the most important in our First Section.

The first case we have proved in Prop. iv.

Availing ourselves of the method of superposition, we can prove Cases 2 and 3 by a process more simple than that employed by Euclid, and with the further advantage of bringing them into closer connexion with Case 1. We shall therefore give three Propositions, which we designate A, B, and C, in the Place of Euclid's Props. v. vi. vii. viii.

The displaced Propositions will be found on pp. 106-112.

Proposition A corresponds with Euclid I. 5.

..... B ..... I. 26, first part.

..... C ..... I. 8.

## PROPOSITION A. THEOREM.

*If two sides of a triangle be equal, the angles opposite those sides must also be equal.*

FIG. 1.

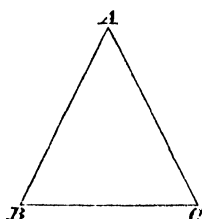
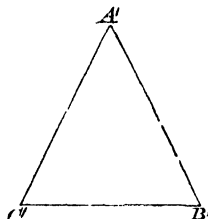


FIG. 2.



In the isosceles triangle  $ABC$ , let  $AC = AB$ . (Fig. 1.)

*Then must  $\angle ABC = \angle ACB$ .*

Imagine the  $\triangle ABC$  to be taken up, turned round, and set down again in a reversed position as in Fig. 2, and designate the angular points  $A'$ ,  $B'$ ,  $C'$ .

Then in  $\triangle s\ ABC, A'C'B'$ ,

$\therefore AB = A'C'$ , and  $AC = A'B'$ , and  $\angle BAC = \angle C'A'B'$ ,

$\therefore \angle ABC = \angle A'C'B'$ . I. 4.

But  $\angle A'C'B' = \angle ACB$ ;

$\therefore \angle ABC = \angle ACB$ . Ax. 1.

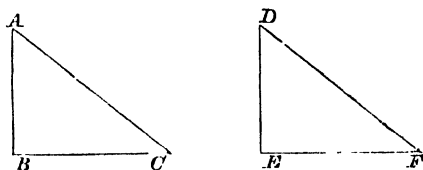
Q.E.D.

COR. Hence every equilateral triangle is also equiangular.

NOTE. When one side of a triangle is distinguished from the other sides by being called the *Base*, the angular point opposite to that side is called the *Vertex* of the triangle.

## PROPOSITION B. THEOREM.

*If two triangles have two angles of the one equal to two angles of the other, each to each, and the sides adjacent to the equal angles in each also equal; then must the triangles be equal in all respects.*



In  $\triangle s\ ABC,\ DEF,$

let  $\angle ABC = \angle DEF$ , and  $\angle ACB = \angle DFE$ , and  $BC = EF$ .

Then must  $AB = DE$ , and  $AC = DF$ , and  $\angle BAC = \angle EDF$ .

For if  $\triangle DEF$  be applied to  $\triangle ABC$ , so that  $E$  coincides with  $B$ , and  $EF$  falls on  $BC$ ;

then  $\because EF = BC$ ,  $\therefore F$  will coincide with  $C$ ;

and  $\because \angle DEF = \angle ABC$ ,  $\therefore ED$  will fall on  $BA$ ;

$\therefore D$  will fall on  $BA$  or  $BA$  produced.

Again,  $\because \angle DFE = \angle ACB$ ,  $\therefore FD$  will fall on  $CA$ ;

$\therefore D$  will fall on  $CA$  or  $CA$  produced.

$\therefore D$  must coincide with  $A$ , the only pt. common to  $BA$  and  $CA$ .

$\therefore DE$  will coincide with and  $\therefore$  is equal to  $AB$ ,

and  $DF$ .....  $AC$ ,

and  $\angle EDF$ .....  $\angle BAC$ ,

and  $\triangle DEF$ .....  $\triangle ABC$ ;

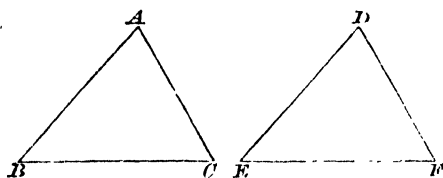
and  $\therefore$  the triangles are equal in all respects.

Q. E. D.

COR. Hence, by a process like that in Prop. A, we might prove Euclid's theorem (I. 6): *If two angles of a triangle be equal, the sides opposite those angles must also be equal.* But this method would assume Eucl. I. 26, and to keep Euclid's order we must take the proof given on p. 110.

## PROPOSITION C. THEOREM.

*If two triangles have the three sides of the one equal to the three sides of the other, each to each, the triangles must be equal in all respects.*

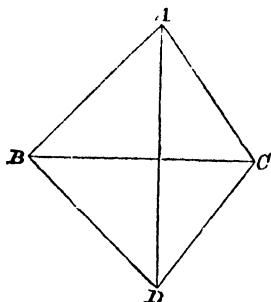


Let the three sides of the  $\triangle s$   $ABC$ ,  $DEF$  be equal, each to each, that is,  $AB=DE$ ,  $AC=DF$ , and  $BC=EF$ .

*Then must the triangles be equal in all respects.*

Imagine the  $\triangle DEF$  to be turned over and applied to the  $\triangle ABC$ , in such a way that  $EF$  coincides with  $BC$ , and the vertex  $D$  falls on the side of  $BC$  opposite to the side on which  $A$  falls; and join  $AD$ .

CASE I. When  $AD$  passes through  $BC$ .



Then in  $\triangle ABD$ ,  $\because BD=BA$ ,  $\therefore \angle BAD = \angle BDA$ , I. A.

And in  $\triangle ACD$ ,  $\because CD=CA$ ,  $\therefore \angle CAD = \angle CDA$ , I. A.

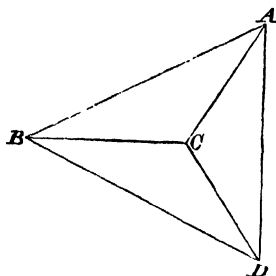
$\therefore$  sum of  $\angle s$   $BAD$ ,  $CAD$  = sum of  $\angle s$   $BDA$ ,  $CDA$ , Ax. 2.  
that is,  $\angle BAC = \angle BDC$ .

Hence we see, referring to the original triangles, that

$$\angle BAC = \angle EDF.$$

, by Prop. 4, the triangles are equal in all respects.

CASE II. When the line joining the vertices does not pass through  $BC$ .



Then in  $\triangle ABD$ ,  $\because BD=BA$ ,  $\therefore \angle BAD = \angle BDA$ , I. A.

And in  $\triangle ACD$ ,  $\because CD=CA$ ,  $\therefore \angle CAD = \angle CDA$ , I. A.

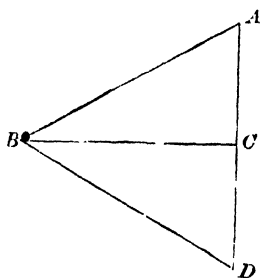
Hence since the whole angles  $BAD$ ,  $BDA$  are equal.

and parts of these  $CAD$ ,  $CDA$  are equal.

$\therefore$  the remainders  $BAC$ ,  $BDC$  are equal. Ax. 3.

Then, as in Case I., the equality of the original triangles may be proved.

CASE III. When  $AC$  and  $CD$  are in the same straight line.



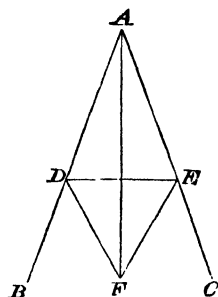
Then in  $\triangle ABD$ ,  $\because BD=BA$ ,  $\therefore \angle BAD = \angle BDA$ , I. A.  
that is,  $\angle BAC = \angle BDC$ .

Then, as in Case I., the equality of the original triangles may be proved.



## PROPOSITION IX. PROBLEM.

*To bisect a given angle.*



Let  $BAC$  be the given angle.

*It is required to bisect  $\angle BAC$ .*

In  $AB$  take any pt.  $D$ .

In  $AC$  make  $AE = AD$ , and join  $DE$ .

On  $DE$ , on the side remote from  $A$ , describe an equilat.  $\triangle DFE$ .

I. 1.

Join  $AF$ . Then  $AF$  will bisect  $\angle BAC$ .

For in  $\triangle s AFD, AFE$ ,

$\therefore AD = AE$ , and  $AF$  is common, and  $FD = FE$ ,

$\therefore \angle DAF = \angle EAF$ ,

I. c.

that is,  $\angle BAC$  is bisected by  $AF$ .

Q. E. F.

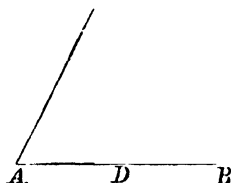
EX. 1. Shew that we can prove this Proposition by means of Prop. IV. and PROP. A., without applying Prop. C.

EX. 2. If the equilateral triangle, employed in the construction, be described with its vertex towards the given angle; shew that there is one case in which the construction will fail, and two in which it will hold good.

NOTE.—The line dividing an angle into two equal parts is called the **BISECTOR** of the angle.

## PROPOSITION X. PROBLEM.

*To bisect a given finite straight line.*



Let  $AB$  be the given st. line.

*It is required to bisect  $AB$ .*

On  $AB$  describe an equilat.  $\triangle ACB$ . I. 1.

Bisect  $\angle ACB$  by the st. line  $CD$  meeting  $AB$  in  $D$ ; I. 9.  
then  $AB$  shall be bisected in  $D$ .

For in  $\triangle s$   $ACD$ ,  $BCD$ ,

$\therefore AC=BC$ , and  $CD$  is common, and  $\angle ACD=\angle BCD$ ,

$\therefore AD=BD$ ; I. 4.

$\therefore AB$  is bisected in  $D$ .

Q. E. F.

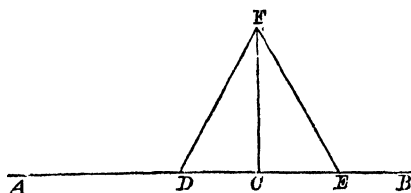
Ex. 1. The straight line, drawn to bisect the vertical angle of an isosceles triangle, also bisects the base.

Ex. 2. The straight line, drawn from the vertex of an isosceles triangle to bisect the base, also bisects the vertical angle.

Ex. 3. Produce a given finite straight line to a point, such that the part produced may be one-third of the line, which is made up of the whole and the part produced.

## PROPOSITION XI. PROBLEM.

To draw a straight line at right angles to a given straight line from a given point in the same.



Let  $AB$  be the given st. line, and  $C$  a given pt. in it.

It is required to draw from  $C$  a st. line  $\perp$  to  $AB$ .

Take any pt.  $D$  in  $AC$ , and in  $CB$  make  $CE = CD$ .

On  $DE$  describe an equilat.  $\triangle DFE$ . I. 1.

Join  $FC$ .  $FC$  shall be  $\perp$  to  $AB$ .

For in  $\triangle s DCF, ECF$ ,

$\therefore DC = CE$ , and  $CF$  is common, and  $FD = FE$ ,

$\therefore \angle DCF = \angle ECF$ ; I. c.

and  $\therefore FC$  is  $\perp$  to  $AB$ . Def. 9.

Q. E. F.

COR. To draw a straight line at right angles to a given straight line  $AC$  from one extremity,  $C$ , take any point  $D$  in  $AC$ , produce  $AC$  to  $E$ , making  $CE = CD$ , and proceed as in the proposition.

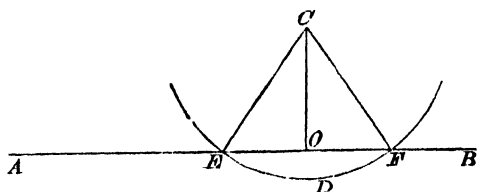
Ex. 1. Shew that in the diagram of Prop. ix.  $AF$  and  $ED$  intersect each other at right angles, and that  $ED$  is bisected by  $AF$ .

Ex. 2. If  $O$  be the point in which two lines, bisecting  $AB$  and  $AC$ , two sides of an equilateral triangle, at right angles, meet; shew that  $OA, OB, OC$  are all equal.

Ex. 3. Shew that Prop. xi. is a particular case of Prop. ix.

## PROPOSITION XII. PROBLEM.

*To draw a straight line perpendicular to a given straight line of an unlimited length from a given point without it.*



Let  $AB$  be the given st. line of unlimited length ;  $C$  the given pt. without it.

*It is required to draw from  $C$  a st. line  $\perp$  to  $AB$ .*

Take any pt.  $D$  on the other side of  $AB$ .

With centre  $C$  and distance  $CD$  describe a  $\odot$  cutting  $AB$  in  $E$  and  $F$ .

Bisect  $EF$  in  $O$ , and join  $CE$ ,  $CO$ ,  $CF$ . I. 10.

Then  $CO$  shall be  $\perp$  to  $AB$ .

For in  $\triangle s COE$ ,  $COF$ ,

$\therefore EO = FO$ , and  $CO$  is common, and  $CE = CF$ ,

$\therefore \angle COE = \angle COF$ ; I. c.

$\therefore CO$  is  $\perp$  to  $AB$ . Def. 9.

Q. E. F.

Ex. 1. If the straight line were not of unlimited length, how might the construction fail ?

Ex. 2. If in a triangle the perpendicular from the vertex on the base bisect the base, the triangle is isosceles.

Ex. 3. The lines drawn from the angular points of an equilateral triangle to the middle points of the opposite sides are equal.

*Miscellaneous Exercises on Props. I. to XII.*

1. Draw a figure for Prop. II. for the case when the given point  $A$  is

(a) below the line  $BC$  and to the right of it.

(β) below the line  $BC$  and to the left of it.

2. Divide a given angle into four equal parts.

3. The angles  $B$ ,  $C$ , at the base of an isosceles triangle, are bisected by the straight lines  $BD$ ,  $CD$ , meeting in  $D$ ; shew that  $BDC$  is an isosceles triangle.

4.  $D$ ,  $E$ ,  $F$  are points taken in the sides  $BC$ ,  $CA$ ,  $AB$ , of an equilateral triangle, so that  $BD=CE=AF$ . Shew that the triangle  $DEF$  is equilateral.

5. In a given straight line find a point equidistant from two given points; 1st, on the same side of it; 2d, on opposite sides of it.

6.  $ABC$  is a triangle having the angle  $ABC$  acute. In  $BA$ , or  $BA$  produced, find a point  $D$  such that  $BD=CD$ .

7. The equal sides  $AB$ ,  $AC$ , of an isosceles triangle  $ABC$  are produced to points  $F$  and  $G$ , so that  $AF=AG$ .  $BG$  and  $CF$  are joined, and  $H$  is the point of their intersection. Prove that  $BH=CH$ , and also that the angle at  $A$  is bisected by  $AH$ .

8.  $BAC$ ,  $BDC$  are isosceles triangles, standing on opposite sides of the same base  $BC$ . Prove that the straight line from  $A$  to  $D$  bisects  $BC$  at right angles.

9. In how many directions may the line  $AE$  be drawn in Prop. III.?

10. The two sides of a triangle being produced, if the angles on the other side of the base be equal, shew that the triangle is isosceles.

11.  $ABC$ ,  $ABD$  are two triangles on the same base  $AB$  and on the same side of it, the vertex of each triangle being outside the other. If  $AC=AD$ , shew that  $BC$  cannot  $=BD$ .

12. From  $C$  any point in a straight line  $AB$ ,  $CD$  is drawn at right angles to  $AB$ , meeting a circle described with centre  $A$  and distance  $AB$  in  $D$ ; and from  $AD$ ,  $AE$  is cut off  $=AC$ ; shew that  $AEB$  is a right angle.

## PROPOSITION XIII. THEOREM.

*The angles which one straight line makes with another upon one side of it are either two right angles, or together equal to two right angles.*

Fig. 1.

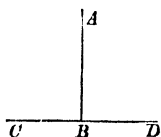
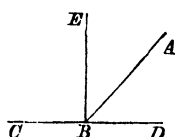


Fig. 2.



Let  $AB$  make with  $CD$  upon one side of it the  $\angle$ s  $ABC$ ,  $ABD$ .

*Then must these be either two rt.  $\angle$ s,  
or together equal to two rt.  $\angle$ s.*

First, if  $\angle ABC = \angle ABD$  as in Fig. 1,

each of them is a rt.  $\angle$ .

Def. 9.

Secondly, if  $\angle ABC$  be not  $= \angle ABD$ , as in Fig. 2,

from  $B$  draw  $BE \perp$  to  $CD$ .

I. 11.

Then sum of  $\angle$ s  $ABC$ ,  $ABD$  = sum of  $\angle$ s  $EBC$ ,  $EBA$ ,  $ABD$ ,  
and sum of  $\angle$ s  $EBC$ ,  $EBD$  = sum of  $\angle$ s  $EBC$ ,  $EBA$ ,  $ABD$ ;

$\therefore$  sum of  $\angle$ s  $ABC$ ,  $ABD$  = sum of  $\angle$ s  $EBC$ ,  $EBD$ ;

Ax. 1.

$\therefore$  sum of  $\angle$ s  $ABC$ ,  $ABD$  = sum of a rt.  $\angle$  and a rt.  $\angle$ ;

$\therefore \angle$ s  $ABC$ ,  $ABD$  are together = two rt.  $\angle$ s.

Q. E. D.

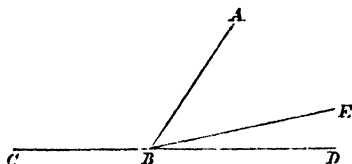
**Ex.** Straight lines drawn connecting the opposite angular points of a quadrilateral figure intersect each other in  $O$ . Shew that the angles at  $O$  are together equal to four right angles.

**NOTE (1.)** If two angles together make up a right angle, each is called the **COMPLEMENT** of the other. Thus, in fig. 2,  $\angle ABD$  is the complement of  $\angle ABE$ .

**(2.)** If two angles together make up two right angles, each is called the **SUPPLEMENT** of the other. Thus, in both figures,  $\angle ABD$  is the supplement of  $\angle ABC$ .

## PROPOSITION XIV. THEOREM.

If, at a point in a straight line, two other straight lines, upon the opposite sides of it, make the adjacent angles together equal to two right angles, these two straight lines must be in one and the same straight line.



At the pt.  $B$  in the st. line  $AB$  let the st. lines  $BC$ ,  $BD$ , on opposite sides of  $AB$ , make  $\angle s$   $ABC$ ,  $ABD$  together = two rt. angles.

Then  $BD$  must be in the same st. line with  $BC$ .

For if not, let  $BE$  be in the same st. line with  $BC$ .

Then  $\angle s$   $ABC$ ,  $ABE$  together = two rt.  $\angle s$ . I. 13.

And  $\angle s$   $ABC$ ,  $ABD$  together = two rt.  $\angle s$ . Hyp.

$\therefore$  sum of  $\angle s$   $ABC$ ,  $ABE$  = sum of  $\angle s$   $ABC$ ,  $ABD$ .

Take away from each of these equals the  $\angle ABC$ ;

then  $\angle ABE = \angle ABD$ , Ax. 3.

that is, the less = the greater; which is impossible,

$\therefore BE$  is not in the same st. line with  $BC$ .

Similarly it may be shewn that no other line but  $BD$  is in the same st. line with  $BC$ .

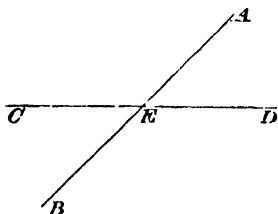
$\therefore BD$  is in the same st. line with  $BC$ .

Q. E. D.

Ex. Shew the necessity of the words *the opposite sides* in the enunciation.

## PROPOSITION XV. THEOREM.

*If two straight lines cut one another, the vertically opposite angles must be equal.*



Let the st. lines  $AB$ ,  $CD$  cut one another in the pt.  $E$ .

Then must  $\angle AEC = \angle BED$  and  $\angle AED = \angle BEC$ .

For  $\because AE$  meets  $CD$ ,

$\therefore$  sum of  $\angle$ s  $AEC$ ,  $AED =$  two rt.  $\angle$ s. I. 13.

And  $\because DE$  meets  $AB$ ,

$\therefore$  sum of  $\angle$ s  $BED$ ,  $AED =$  two rt.  $\angle$ s; I. 13.

$\therefore$  sum of  $\angle$ s  $AEC$ ,  $AED =$  sum of  $\angle$ s  $BED$ ,  $AED$ ;

$\therefore \angle AEC = \angle BED$ . Ax. 3.

Similarly it may be shewn that  $\angle AED = \angle BEC$ .

Q. E. D.

COROLLARY I. From this it is manifest, that if two straight lines cut one another, the four angles, which they make at the point of intersection, are together equal to four right angles.

COROLLARY II. All the angles, made by any number of straight lines meeting in one point, are together equal to four right angles.

Ex. 1. Shew that the bisectors of  $AED$  and  $BEC$  are in the same straight line.

Ex. 2. Prove that  $\angle AED$  is equal to the angle between two straight lines drawn at right angles from  $E$  to  $AE$  and  $EC$ , if both lie above  $CD$ .

Ex. 3. If  $AB$ ,  $CD$  bisect each other in  $E$ ; shew that the triangles  $AED$ ,  $BEC$  are equal in all respects.



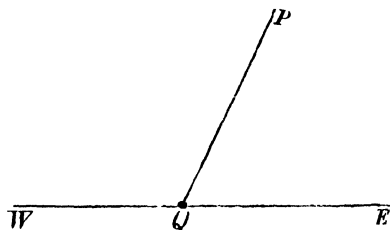
NOTE 3. *On Euclid's definition of an Angle.*

Euclid directs us to regard an angle as the inclination of two straight lines to each other, which meet, *but are not in the same straight line.*

Thus he does not recognise the existence of a single angle equal in magnitude to two right angles.

The words printed in italics are omitted as needless, in Def. VIII., p. 3, and that definition may be extended with advantage in the following terms: -

DEF. Let  $WQE$  be a fixed straight line, and  $QP$  a line which revolves about the fixed point  $Q$ , and which at first coincides with  $QE$ .



Then, when  $QP$  has reached the position represented in the diagram, we say that it has described the angle  $EQP$ .

When  $QP$  has revolved so far as to coincide with  $QW$ , we say that it has described an angle *equal to two right angles.*

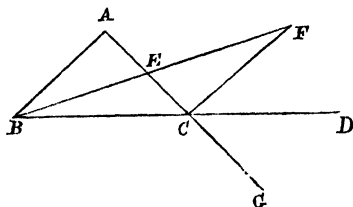
Hence we may obtain an easy proof of Prop. XIII. ; for whatever the position of  $PQ$  may be, the angles which it makes with  $WE$  are together equal to two right angles.

Again, in Prop. XV. it is evident that  $\angle AED = \angle BEC$ , since each has the same supplementary  $\angle AEC$ .

We shall shew hereafter, p. 149, how this definition may be extended, so as to embrace angles *greater than two right angles.*

## PROPOSITION XVI. THEOREM.

If one side of a triangle be produced, the exterior angle is greater than either of the interior opposite angles.



Let the side  $BC$  of  $\triangle ABC$  be produced to  $D$ .

Then must  $\angle ACD$  be greater than either  $\angle CAB$  or  $\angle ABC$ .

Bisect  $AC$  in  $E$ , and join  $BE$ . I. 10.

Produce  $BE$  to  $F$ , making  $EF = BE$ , and join  $FC$ .

Then in  $\triangle s$   $BEA$ ,  $FEC$ ,

$\therefore BE = FE$ , and  $EA = EC$ , and  $\angle BEA = \angle FEC$ , I. 15.

$\therefore \angle ECF = \angle EAB$ . I. 4.

Now  $\angle ACD$  is greater than  $\angle ECF$ ; Ax. 9.

$\therefore \angle ACD$  is greater than  $\angle EAB$ ,

that is,  $\angle ACD$  is greater than  $\angle CAB$ .

Similarly, if  $AC$  be produced to  $G$  it may be shewn that

$\angle BCG$  is greater than  $\angle ABC$ .

and  $\angle BCG = \angle ACD$ ; I. 15.

$\therefore \angle ACD$  is greater than  $\angle ABC$ .

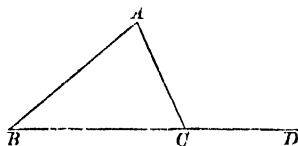
Q. E. D.

Ex. 1. From the same point there cannot be drawn more than two equal straight lines to meet a given straight line.

Ex. 2. If, from any point, a straight line be drawn to a given straight line making with it an acute and an obtuse angle, and if, from the same point, a perpendicular be drawn to the given line; the perpendicular will fall on the side of the acute angle.

## PROPOSITION XVII. THEOREM.

*Any two angles of a triangle are together less than two right angles.*



Let  $\triangle ABC$  be any  $\triangle$ .

*Then must any two of its  $\angle$ s be together less than two rt.  $\angle$ s.*

Produce  $BC$  to  $D$ .

Then  $\angle ACD$  is greater than  $\angle ABC$ . I. 16.

$\therefore \angle$ s  $ACD, ACB$  are together greater than  $\angle$ s  $ABC, ACB$ .

But  $\angle$ s  $ACD, ACB$  together = two rt.  $\angle$ s. I. 13.

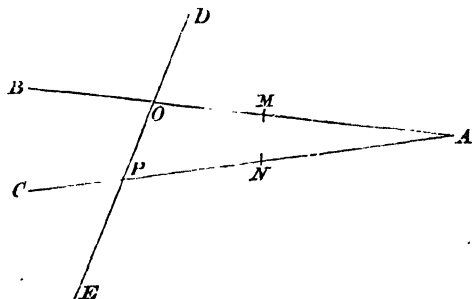
$\therefore \angle$ s  $ABC, ACB$  are together less than two rt.  $\angle$ s.

Similarly it may be shewn that  $\angle$ s  $ABC, BAC$  and also that  $\angle$ s  $BAC, ACB$  are together less than two rt.  $\angle$ s.

Q. E. D.

NOTE 4. *On the Sixth Postulate.*

We learn from Prop. XVII. that if two straight lines  $BM$  and  $CN$ , which meet in  $A$ , are met by another straight line  $DE$  in the points  $O, P$ ,



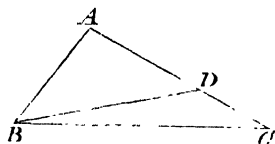
the angles  $MOP$  and  $NPO$  are together less than two right angles.

The Sixth Postulate asserts that if a line  $DE$  meeting two other lines  $BM, CN$  makes  $MOP, NPO$ , the two interior

angles on the same side of it, together less than two right angles,  $BM$  and  $CN$  shall meet if produced on the same side of  $DE$  on which are the angles  $MOP$  and  $NPO$ .

PROPOSITION XVIII. THEOREM.

*If one side of a triangle be greater than a second, the angle opposite the first must be greater than that opposite the second.*



In  $\triangle ABC$ , let side  $AC$  be greater than  $AB$ .

*Then must  $\angle ABC$  be greater than  $\angle ACB$ .*

From  $AC$  cut off  $AD = AB$ , and join  $BD$ . I. 3.

Then  $\because AB = AD$ ,

$\therefore \angle ADB = \angle ABD$ , I. A.

And  $\because CD$ , a side of  $\triangle BDC$ , is produced to  $E$ .

$\therefore \angle ADB$  is greater than  $\angle ACB$ ; I. 16.

$\therefore$  also  $\angle ABD$  is greater than  $\angle ACB$ .

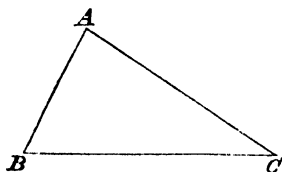
Much more is  $\angle ABC$  greater than  $\angle ACB$ .

Q. E. D.

**Ex.** Shew that if two angles of a triangle be equal, the sides which subtend them are equal also (Eucl. I. 6).

## PROPOSITION XIX. THEOREM.

*If one angle of a triangle be greater than a second, the side opposite the first must be greater than that opposite the second.*



In  $\triangle ABC$ , let  $\angle ABC$  be greater than  $\angle ACB$ .

*Then must  $AC$  be greater than  $AB$ .*

For if  $AC$  be not greater than  $AB$ ,

$AC$  must either  $= AB$ , or be less than  $AB$ .

Now  $AC$  cannot  $= AB$ , for then

I. A.

$\angle ABC$  would  $= \angle ACB$ , which is not the case.

And  $AC$  cannot be less than  $AB$ , for then

I. 18.

$\angle ABC$  would be less than  $\angle ACB$ , which is not the case ;

$\therefore AC$  is greater than  $AB$ .

Q. E. D.

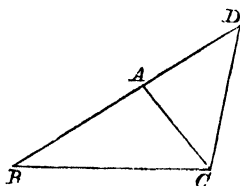
Ex. 1. In an obtuse-angled triangle, the greatest side is opposite the obtuse angle.

Ex. 2.  $BC$ , the base of an isosceles triangle  $BAC$ , is produced to any point  $D$  ; shew that  $AD$  is greater than  $AB$ .

Ex. 3. The perpendicular is the shortest straight line, which can be drawn from a given point to a given straight line ; and of others, that which is nearer to the perpendicular is less than one more remote.

## PROPOSITION XX. THEOREM.

*Any two sides of a triangle are together greater than the third side.*



Let  $ABC$  be a  $\triangle$ .

*Then any two of its sides must be together greater than the third side.*

Produce  $BA$  to  $D$ , making  $AD=AC$ , and join  $DC$ .

Then  $\because AD=AC$ ,

$\therefore \angle ACD = \angle ADC$ , that is,  $\angle BDC$ . I. A.

Now  $\angle BCD$  is greater than  $\angle ACD$ ;

$\therefore \angle BCD$  is also greater than  $\angle BDC$ ;

$\therefore BD$  is greater than  $BC$ . I. 19.

But  $BD=BA$  and  $AD$  together;

that is,  $BD=BA$  and  $AC$  together;

$\therefore BA$  and  $AC$  together are greater than  $BC$ .

Similarly it may be shewn that

$AB$  and  $BC$  together are greater than  $AC$ ,

and  $BC$  and  $CA$  .....  $AB$ .

Q. E. D.

Ex. 1. Prove that any three sides of a quadrilateral figure are together greater than the fourth side.

Ex. 2. Shew that any side of a triangle is greater than the difference between the other two sides.

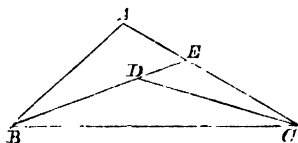
Ex. 3. Prove that the sum of the distances of any point from the angular points of a quadrilateral is greater than half the perimeter of the quadrilateral.

Ex. 4. If one side of a triangle be bisected, the sum of the two other sides shall be more than double of the line joining the vertex and the point of bisection.

S. E.

## PROPOSITION XXI. THEOREM.

*If, from the ends of the side of a triangle, there be drawn two straight lines to a point within the triangle; these will be together less than the other sides of the triangle, but will contain a greater angle.*



Let  $ABC$  be a  $\Delta$ , and from  $D$ , a pt. in the  $\Delta$ , draw st. lines to  $B$  and  $C$ .

*Then will  $BD$ ,  $DC$  together be less than  $BA$ ,  $AC$ ,  
but  $\angle BDC$  will be greater than  $\angle BAC$ .*

Produce  $BD$  to meet  $AC$  in  $E$ .

Then  $BA$ ,  $AE$  are together greater than  $BE$ . I. 20.

Add to each  $EC$ .

Then  $BA$ ,  $AC$  are together greater than  $BE$ ,  $EC$ .

Again,  $DE$ ,  $EC$  are together greater than  $DC$ . I. 20.

Add to each  $BD$ .

Then  $BE$ ,  $EC$  are together greater than  $BD$ ,  $DC$ .

And it has been shewn that  $BA$ ,  $AC$  are together greater than  $BE$ ,  $EC$ ;

$\therefore BA$ ,  $AC$  are together greater than  $BD$ ,  $DC$ .

Next,  $\because \angle BDC$  is greater than  $\angle DEC$ , I. 16.

and  $\angle DEC$  is greater than  $\angle BAC$ , I. 16.

$\therefore \angle BDC$  is greater than  $\angle BAC$ .

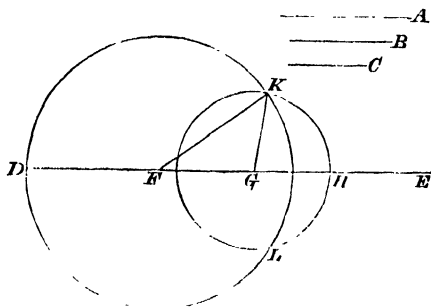
Q. E. D.

**Ex. 1.** Upon the base  $AB$  of a triangle  $ABC$  is described a quadrilateral figure  $ADEB$ , which is entirely within the triangle. Shew that the sides  $AC$ ,  $CB$  of the triangle are together greater than the sides  $AD$ ,  $DE$ ,  $EB$  of the quadrilateral.

**Ex. 2.** Shew that the sum of the straight lines, joining the angles of a triangle with a point within the triangle, is less than the perimeter of the triangle, and greater than half the perimeter.

PROPOSITION XXII. PROBLEM.

*To make a triangle, of which the sides shall be equal to three given straight lines, any two of which are together greater than the third.*



Let  $A, B, C$  be the three given lines, any two of which are together greater than the third.

*It is required to make a  $\triangle$  having its sides  $= A, B, C$  respectively.*

Take a st. line  $DE$  of unlimited length.

In  $DE$  make  $DF=A, FG=B$ , and  $GH=C$ . I. 3.

With centre  $F$  and distance  $FD$ , describe  $\odot DKL$ .

With centre  $G$  and distance  $GH$ , describe  $\odot HKL$ .

Join  $FK$  and  $GK$ .

Then  $\triangle KFG$  has its sides  $= A, B, C$  respectively.

For  $FK=FD$ ; Def. 13.

$\therefore FK=A$ ;

and  $GK=GH$ ; Def. 13.

$\therefore GK=C$ ;

and  $FG=B$ ;

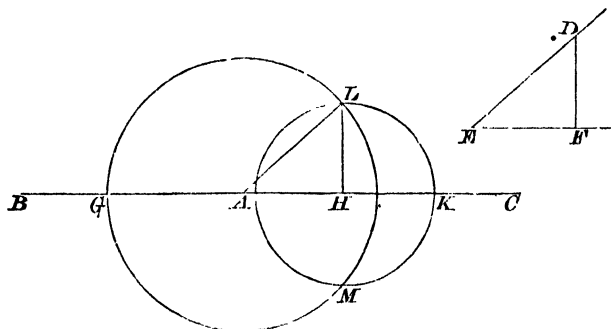
$\therefore$  a  $\triangle KFG$  has been described as reqd. Q. E. F.

**Ex.** Draw an isosceles triangle having each of the equal sides double of the base



## PROPOSITION XXIII. PROBLEM.

At a given point in a given straight line, to make an angle equal to a given angle.



Let  $A$  be the given pt.,  $BC$  the given line,  $DEF$  the given  $\angle$ .

*It is reqd. to make at pt.  $A$  an angle  $= \angle DEF$ .*

In  $ED$ ,  $EF$  take any pts.  $D$ ,  $F$ ; and join  $DF$ .

In  $AB$ , produced if necessary, make  $AG = DE$ .

In  $AC$ , produced if necessary, make  $AH = EF$ .

In  $HC$ , produced if necessary, make  $HK = FD$ .

With centre  $A$ , and distance  $AG$ , describe  $\odot GLM$ .

With centre  $H$ , and distance  $HK$ , describe  $\odot LKM$ .

Join  $AL$  and  $HL$ .

Then  $\because LA = AG, \therefore LA = DE$ ; Ax. 1.

and  $\because HL = HK, \therefore HL = FD$ . Ax. 1.

Then in  $\triangle s LAH, DEF$ ,

$\because LA = DE$ , and  $AH = EF$ , and  $HL = FD$ ;

$\therefore \angle LAH = \angle DEF$ . I. c.

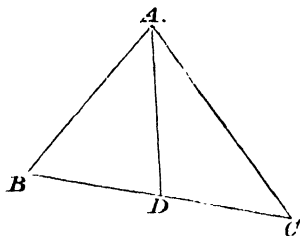
$\therefore$  an angle  $LAH$  has been made at pt.  $A$  as was reqd.

Q. E. F.

NOTE.—We here give the proof of a theorem, necessary to the proof of Prop. XXIV. and applicable to several propositions in Book III.

PROPOSITION D. THEOREM.

*Every straight line, drawn from the vertex of a triangle to the base, is less than the greater of the two sides, or than either, if they be equal.*



In the  $\triangle ABC$ , let the side  $AC$  be not less than  $AB$ .

Take any pt.  $D$  in  $BC$ , and join  $AD$ .

*Then, must  $AD$  be less than  $AC$ .*

For  $\because AC$  is not less than  $AB$ ;

$\therefore \angle ABD$  is not less than  $\angle ACD$ . I. 3. and 18.

But  $\angle ADC$  is greater than  $\angle ABD$ ; I. 16.

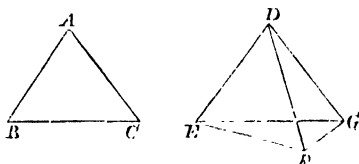
$\therefore \angle ADC$  is greater than  $\angle ACD$ ;

$\therefore AC$  is greater than  $AD$ . I. 19.

Q. E. D.

## PROPOSITION XXIV. THEOREM.

If two triangles have two sides of the one equal to two sides of the other, each to each, but the angle contained by the two sides of one of them greater than the angle contained by the two sides equal to them of the other; the base of that which has the greater angle must be greater than the base of the other.



In the  $\triangle s$   $ABC$ ,  $DEF$ ,  
 let  $AB=DE$  and  $AC=DF$ ,  
 and let  $\angle BAC$  be greater than  $\angle EDF$ .  
 Then must  $BC$  be greater than  $EF$ .

Of the two sides  $DE$ ,  $DF$  let  $DE$  be not greater than  $DF$ .\*

At pt.  $D$  in st. line  $ED$  make  $\angle EDG = \angle BAC$ , I. 23.  
 and make  $DG=AC$  or  $DF$ , and join  $EG$ ,  $GF$ .

Then  $\because AB=DE$ , and  $AC=DG$ , and  $\angle BAC = \angle EDG$ ,  
 $\therefore BC=EG$ , I. 4.

Again,  $\because DG=DF$ ,  
 $\therefore \angle DFG = \angle DGF$ ; I. A.

$\therefore \angle EFG$  is greater than  $\angle DGF$ ;  
 much more then  $\angle EFG$  is greater than  $\angle EGF$ ;  
 $\therefore EG$  is greater than  $EF$ . I. 19.

But  $EG=BC$ ;  
 $\therefore BC$  is greater than  $EF$ .

Q. E. D.

\* This line was added by Simson to obviate a defect in Euclid's proof. Without this condition, three distinct cases must be discussed. With the condition, we can prove that  $F$  must lie below  $EG$ .

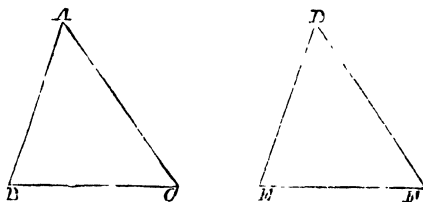
For since  $DF$  is not less than  $DE$ , and  $DG$  is drawn equal to  $DF$ ,  $DG$  is not less than  $DE$ .

Hence by Prop. D, any line drawn from  $D$  to meet  $EG$  is less than  $DG$ , and therefore  $DF$ , being equal to  $DG$ , must extend beyond  $EG$ .

For another method of proving the Proposition, see p. 113.

## PROPOSITION XXV. THEOREM.

*If two triangles have two sides of the one equal to two sides of the other, each to each, but the base of the one greater than the base of the other; the angle also, contained by the sides of that which has the greater base, must be greater than the angle contained by the sides equal to them of the other.*



In the  $\triangle s$   $ABC$ ,  $DEF$ ,  
 let  $AB=DE$  and  $AC=DF$ ,  
 and let  $BC$  be greater than  $EF$ .

*Then must  $\angle BAC$  be greater than  $\angle EDF$ .*

For  $\angle BAC$  is greater than, equal to, or less than  $\angle EDF$ .

Now  $\angle BAC$  cannot  $= \angle EDF$ ,

for then, by 1. 4,  $BC$  would  $= EF$ ; which is not the case.

And  $\angle BAC$  cannot be less than  $\angle EDF$ ,

for then, by 1. 24,  $BC$  would be less than  $EF$ ; which is not the case;

$\therefore \angle BAC$  must be greater than  $\angle EDF$ .

Q. E. D.

NOTE.—In Prop. xxvi. Euclid includes two cases, in which two triangles are equal in all respects; viz., when the following parts are equal in the two triangles:

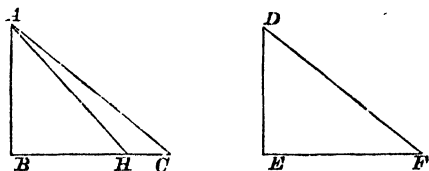
1. Two angles and the side between them.
2. Two angles and the side opposite one of them.

Of these we have already proved the first case, in Prop. 8, so that we have only the second case left, to form the subject of Prop. xxvi., which we shall prove by the method of superposition.

For Euclid's proof of Prop. xxvi., see pp. 114-115.

## PROPOSITION XXVI THEOREM.

*If two triangles have two angles of the one equal to two angles of the other, each to each, and one side equal to one side, those sides being opposite to equal angles in each; then must the triangles be equal in all respects.*



In  $\triangle s\ ABC, DEF$ ,

let  $\angle ABC = \angle DEF$ , and  $\angle ACB = \angle DFE$ , and  $AB = DE$ .

Then must  $BC = EF$ , and  $AC = DF$ , and  $\angle BAC = \angle EDF$ .

Suppose  $\triangle DEF$  to be applied to  $\triangle ABC$ ,

so that  $D$  coincides with  $A$ , and  $DE$  falls on  $AB$ .

Then  $\because DE = AB$ ,  $\therefore E$  will coincide with  $B$ ;

and  $\because \angle DEF = \angle ABC$ ,  $\therefore EF$  will fall on  $BC$ .

Then must  $F$  coincide with  $C$ : for, if not,

let  $F$  fall between  $B$  and  $C$ , at the pt.  $H$ . Join  $AH$ .

Then  $\because \angle AHB = \angle DFE$ , I. 4.

$\therefore \angle AHB = \angle ACB$ ,

the extr.  $\angle =$  the intr. and opposite  $\angle$ , which is impossible.

$\therefore F$  does not fall between  $B$  and  $C$ .

Similarly, it may be shewn that  $F$  does not fall on  $BC$  produced.

$\therefore F$  coincides with  $C$ , and  $\therefore BC = EF$ ;

$\therefore AC = DF$ , and  $\angle BAC = \angle EDF$ , I. 4.

and  $\therefore$  the triangles are equal in all respects.

Q. E. D.

*Miscellaneous Exercises on Props. I. to XXVI.*

1.  $M$  is the middle point of the base  $BC$  of an isosceles triangle  $ABC$ , and  $N$  is a point in  $AC$ . Shew that the difference between  $MB$  and  $MN$  is less than that between  $AB$  and  $AN$ .

2.  $ABC$  is a triangle, and the angle at  $A$  is bisected by a straight line which meets  $BC$  at  $D$ ; shew that  $BA$  is greater than  $BD$ , and  $CA$  greater than  $CD$ .

3.  $AB, AC$  are straight lines meeting in  $A$ , and  $D$  is a given point. Draw through  $D$  a straight line cutting off equal parts from  $AB, AC$ .

4. Draw a straight line through a given point, to make equal angles with two given straight lines which meet.

5. A given angle  $BAC$  is bisected; if  $CA$  be produced to  $G$  and the angle  $BAG$  bisected, the two bisecting lines are at right angles.

6. Two straight lines are drawn to the base of a triangle from the vertex, one bisecting the vertical angle, and the other bisecting the base. Prove that the latter is the greater of the two lines.

7. Shew that Prop. xvii. may be proved without producing a side of the triangle.

8. Shew that Prop. xviii. may be proved by means of the following construction: cut off  $AD=AB$ , draw  $AE$ , bisecting  $\angle BAC$  and meeting  $BC$  in  $E$ , and join  $DE$ .

9. Shew that Prop. xx. can be proved, without producing one of the sides of the triangle, by bisecting one of the angles.

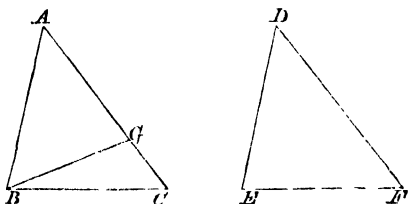
10. Given two angles of a triangle and the side adjacent to them, construct the triangle.

11. Shew that the perpendiculars, let fall on two sides of a triangle from any point in the straight line bisecting the angle contained by the two sides, are equal.

We conclude Section I. with the proof (omitted by Euclid) of another case in which two triangles are equal in all respects.

PROPOSITION E. THEOREM.

*If two triangles have one angle of the one equal to one angle of the other, and the sides about a second angle in each equal: then, if the third angles in each be both acute, both obtuse, or if one of them be a right angle, the triangles are equal in all respects.*



In the  $\triangle s$   $ABC$ ,  $DEF$ , let  $\angle BAC = \angle EDF$ ,  $AB = DE$ ,  $BC = EF$ , and let  $\angle s$   $ACB$ ,  $DFE$  be both acute, both obtuse, or let one of them be a right angle.

*Then must  $\triangle s$   $ABC$ ,  $DEF$  be equal in all respects.*

For if  $AC$  be not  $= DF$ , make  $AG = DF$ ; and join  $BG$ .

Then in  $\triangle s$   $BAG$ ,  $EDF$ ,

$\therefore BA = ED$ , and  $AG = DF$ , and  $\angle BAG = \angle EDF$ ,

$\therefore BG = EF$  and  $\angle AGB = \angle DFE$ . I. 4.

But  $BC = EF$ , and  $\therefore BG = BC$ ;

$\therefore \angle BCG = \angle BGC$ . I. A.

First, let  $\angle ACB$  and  $\angle DFE$  be both acute,

then  $\angle AGB$  is acute, and  $\therefore \angle BGC$  is obtuse; I. 13.

$\therefore \angle BCG$  is obtuse, which is contrary to the hypothesis.

Next, let  $\angle ACB$  and  $\angle DFE$  be both obtuse,

then  $\angle AGB$  is obtuse, and  $\therefore \angle BGC$  is acute; I. 13.

$\therefore \angle BCG$  is acute, which is contrary to the hypothesis.

Lastly, let one of the third angles  $ACB$ ,  $DFE$  be a right angle.

If  $\angle ACB$  be a rt.  $\angle$ ,

then  $\angle BGC$  is also a rt.  $\angle$ ; I. A.

$\therefore \angle$ s  $BCG$ ,  $BGC$  together = two rt.  $\angle$ s, which is impossible. I. 17.

Again, if  $\angle DFE$  be a rt.  $\angle$ ,

then  $\angle AGB$  is a rt.  $\angle$ , and  $\therefore \angle BGC$  is a rt.  $\angle$ . I. 13.

Hence  $\angle BCG$  is also a rt.  $\angle$ .

$\therefore \angle$ s  $BCG$ ,  $BGC$  together = two rt.  $\angle$ s, which is impossible. I. 17.

Hence  $AC$  is equal to  $DF$ ,

and the  $\Delta$ s  $ABC$ ,  $DEF$  are equal in all respects.

Q. E. D.

COR. From the first case of this proposition we deduce the following important theorem:

*If two right-angled triangles have the hypotenuse and one side of the one equal respectively to the hypotenuse and one side of the other, the triangles are equal in all respects.*

NOTE. In the enunciation of Prop. E, if, instead of the words *if one of them be a right angle*, we put the words *both right angles*, this case of the proposition would be identical with I. 23



## SECTION II.

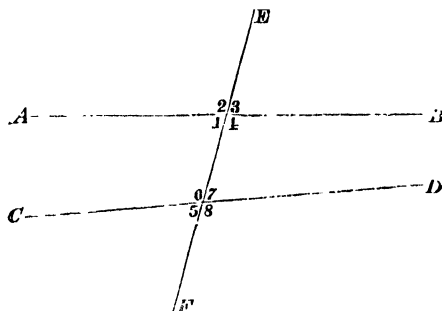
*The Theory of Parallel Lines.*

## INTRODUCTION.

WE have detached the Propositions, in which Euclid treats of Parallel Lines, from those which precede and follow them in the First Book, in order that the student may have a clearer notion of the difficulties attending this division of the subject, and of the way in which Euclid proposes to meet them.

We must first explain some technical terms used in this Section.

If a straight line  $EF$  cut two other straight lines  $AB$ ,  $CD$ , it makes with those lines eight angles, to which particular names are given.



The angles numbered 1, 4, 6, 7 are called *Interior* angles  
 ..... 2, 3, 5, 8 ..... *Exterior*.....

The angles marked 1 and 7 are called *alternate* angles.

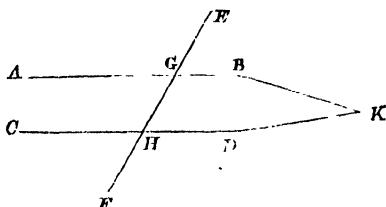
The angles marked 4 and 6 are also called *alternate* angles.

The pairs of angles 1 and 5, 2 and 6, 4 and 8, 3 and 7 are called *corresponding* angles.

**NOTE.** From I. 13 it is clear that the angles 1, 4, 6, 7 are together equal to four right angles.

## PROPOSITION XXVII. THEOREM.

*If a straight line, falling upon two other straight lines, make the alternate angles equal to one another; these two straight lines must be parallel.*



Let the st. line  $EF$ , falling on the st. lines  $AB$ ,  $CD$ ,  
make the alternate  $\angle$ s  $AGH$ ,  $GHD$  equal.

*Then must  $AB$  be  $\parallel$  to  $CD$ .*

For if not,  $AB$  and  $CD$  will meet, if produced, either towards  $B$ ,  $D$ , or towards  $A$ ,  $C$ .

Let them be produced and meet towards  $B$ ,  $D$  in  $K$ .

Then  $GHK$  is a  $\Delta$ ;

and  $\therefore \angle AGH$  is greater than  $\angle GHD$ . I. 16.

But  $\angle AGH = \angle GHD$ , Hyp.

which is impossible.

$\therefore AB$ ,  $CD$  do not meet when produced towards  $B$ ,  $D$ .

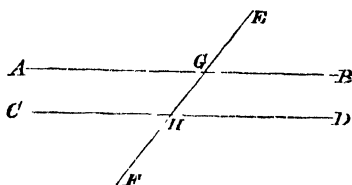
In like manner it may be shewn that they do not meet when produced towards  $A$ ,  $C$ .

$\therefore AB$  and  $CD$  are parallel. Def. 26.

Q. E. D.

## PROPOSITION XXVIII. THEOREM.

*If a straight line, falling upon two other straight lines, make the exterior angle equal to the interior and opposite upon the same side of the line, or make the interior angles upon the same side together equal to two right angles; the two straight lines are parallel to one another.*



Let the st. line  $EF$ , falling on st. lines  $AB$ ,  $CD$ , make

I.  $\angle EGB =$  corresponding  $\angle GHD$ , or

II.  $\angle s\ BGH, GHD$  together = two rt.  $\angle s$ .

*Then, in either case,  $AB$  must be  $\parallel$  to  $CD$ .*

I.  $\therefore \angle EGB$  is given =  $\angle GHD$ , Hyp.

and  $\angle EGB$  is known to be =  $\angle AGH$ , I. 15.

$\therefore \angle AGH = \angle GHD$ ;

and these are alternate  $\angle s$ ;

$\therefore AB$  is  $\parallel$  to  $CD$ . I. 27.

II.  $\therefore \angle s\ BGH, GHD$  together = two rt.  $\angle s$ , Hyp.

and  $\angle s\ BGH, AGH$  together = two rt.  $\angle s$ , I. 13.

$\therefore \angle s\ BGH, AGH$  together =  $\angle s\ BGH, GHD$  together;

$\therefore \angle AGH = \angle GHD$ ;

$\therefore AB$  is  $\parallel$  to  $CD$ . I. 27.

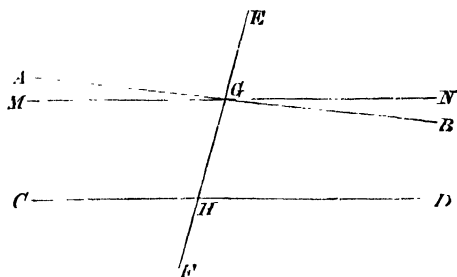
NOTE 5. On the Sixth Postulate.

In the place of Euclid's Sixth Postulate many modern writers on Geometry propose, as more evident to the senses, the following Postulate:—

“Two straight lines which cut one another cannot BOTH be parallel to the same straight line.”

If this be assumed, we can prove Post. 6, as a Theorem, thus:

Let the line  $EF$  falling on the lines  $AB$ ,  $CD$  make the  $\angle$  s  $BGH$ ,  $GHD$  together less than two rt.  $\angle$  s. Then must  $AB$ ,  $CD$  meet when produced towards  $B$ ,  $D$ .



For if not, suppose  $AB$  and  $CD$  to be parallel.

Then  $\therefore \angle$  s  $AGH$ ,  $BGHI$  together = two rt.  $\angle$  s, I. 13.

and  $\angle$  s  $GHD$ ,  $BGHI$  are together less than two rt.  $\angle$  s,

$\therefore \angle$   $AGH$  is greater than  $\angle$   $GHD$ .

Make  $\angle$   $MGH = \angle$   $GHD$ , and produce  $MG$  to  $N$ .

Then  $\therefore$  the alternate  $\angle$  s  $MGH$ ,  $GHD$  are equal,

$\therefore MN$  is  $\parallel$  to  $CD$ . I. 27.

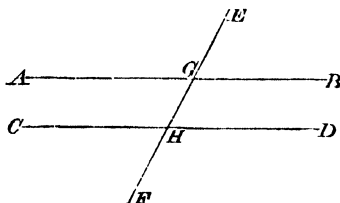
Thus two lines  $MN$ ,  $AB$  which cut one another are both parallel to  $CD$ , which is impossible.

$\therefore AB$  and  $CD$  are not parallel.

It is also clear that they meet towards  $B$ ,  $D$ , because  $GB$  lies between  $GN$  and  $HL$ .

## PROPOSITION XXIX. THEOREM.

If a straight line fall upon two parallel straight lines, it makes the two interior angles upon the same side together equal to two right angles, and also the alternate angles equal to one another, and also the exterior angle equal to the interior and opposite upon the same side.



Let the st. line  $EF$  fall on the parallel st. lines  $AB$ ,  $CD$ .

Then must

I.  $\angle s$   $BGI$ ,  $GHD$  together = two rt.  $\angle s$ .

II.  $\angle AGH$  = alternate  $\angle GHD$ .

III.  $\angle EGB$  = corresponding  $\angle GHD$ .

I.  $\angle s$   $BGI$ ,  $GHD$  cannot be together less than two rt.  $\angle s$ ,  
for then  $AB$  and  $CD$  would meet if produced towards  
 $B$  and  $D$ , Post. 6.

which cannot be, for they are parallel.

Nor can  $\angle s$   $BGI$ ,  $GHD$  be together greater than two  
rt.  $\angle s$ ,

for then  $\angle s$   $AGH$ ,  $GHC$  would be together less than  
two rt.  $\angle s$ , I. 13.

and  $AB$ ,  $CD$  would meet if produced towards  $A$  and  $C$   
Post. 6

which cannot be, for they are parallel,

$\therefore \angle s$   $BGI$ ,  $GHD$  together = two rt.  $\angle s$ .

II.  $\because \angle s$   $BGI$ ,  $GHD$  together = two rt.  $\angle s$ ,  
and  $\angle s$   $BGI$ ,  $AGH$  together = two rt.  $\angle s$ , I. 13.

$\therefore \angle s$   $BGI$ ,  $AGH$  together =  $\angle s$   $BGI$ ,  $GHD$  together,  
and  $\therefore \angle AGH = \angle GHD$ . Ax. 3.

III.  $\because \angle AGH = \angle GHD$ ,  
and  $\angle AGH = \angle EGB$ , I. 15.

$\therefore \angle EGB = \angle GHD$ . Ax. 1.

Q. E. D.

## EXERCISES.

1. If through a point, equidistant from two parallel straight lines, two straight lines be drawn cutting the parallel straight lines; they will intercept equal portions of the parallel lines.

2. If a straight line be drawn, bisecting one of the angles of a triangle, to meet the opposite side; the straight lines drawn from the point of section, parallel to the other sides and terminated by those sides, will be equal.

3. If any straight line joining two parallel straight lines be bisected, any other straight line, drawn through the point of bisection to meet the two lines, will be bisected in that point.

NOTE. One Theorem (A) is said to be the *converse* of another Theorem (B), when the hypothesis in (A) is the conclusion in (B), and the conclusion in (A) is the hypothesis in (B).

For example, the Theorem I. A. may be stated thus :

*Hypothesis.* If two sides of a triangle be equal.

*Conclusion.* The angles opposite those sides must also be equal.

The converse of this is the Theorem I. B. Cor. :

*Hypothesis.* If two angles of a triangle be equal.

*Conclusion.* The sides opposite those angles must also be equal.

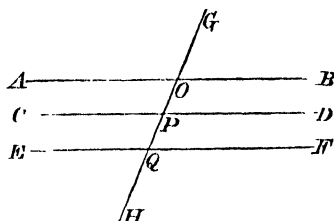
The following are other instances :

Postulate VI. is the converse of I. 17.

I. 29 is the converse of I. 27 and 28.

## PROPOSITION XXX. THEOREM.

*Straight lines which are parallel to the same straight line are parallel to one another.*



Let the st. lines  $AB$ ,  $CD$  be each  $\parallel$  to  $EF$ .

*Then must  $AB$  be  $\parallel$  to  $CD$ .*

Draw the st. line  $GH$ , cutting  $AB$ ,  $CD$ ,  $EF$  in the pts.  $O$ ,  $P$ ,  $Q$ .

Then  $\therefore GH$  cuts the  $\parallel$  lines  $AB$ ,  $EF$ ,

$\therefore \angle AOP = \text{alternate } \angle PQF$ . I. 29.

And  $\therefore GH$  cuts the  $\parallel$  lines  $CD$ ,  $EF$ ,

$\therefore \text{extr. } \angle OPD = \text{intr. } \angle PQF$ ; I. 29.

$\therefore \angle AOP = \angle OPD$ ;

and these are alternate angles;

$\therefore AB$  is  $\parallel$  to  $CD$  I. 27.

Q. E. D.

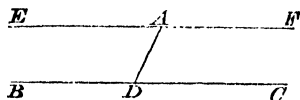
The following Theorems are important. They admit of easy proof, and are therefore left as Exercises for the student.

1. If two straight lines be parallel to two other straight lines, each to each, the first pair make the same angles with one another as the second.

2. If two straight lines be perpendicular to two other straight lines, each to each, the first pair make the same angles with one another as the second.

## PROPOSITION XXXI. PROBLEM.

*To draw a straight line through a given point parallel to a given straight line.*



Let  $A$  be the given pt. and  $BC$  the given st. line.

*It is required to draw through  $A$  a st. line  $\parallel$  to  $BC$ .*

In  $BC$  take any pt.  $D$ , and join  $AD$ .

Make  $\angle DAE = \angle ADC$ . I. 23.

Produce  $EA$  to  $F$ . Then  $EF$  shall be  $\parallel$  to  $BC$ .

For  $\because AD$ , meeting  $EF$  and  $BC$ , makes the alternate angles equal, that is,  $\angle EAD = \angle ADC$ ,

$\therefore EF$  is  $\parallel$  to  $BC$ . I. 27.

$\therefore$  a st. line has been drawn through  $A \parallel$  to  $BC$ .

Q. E. F.

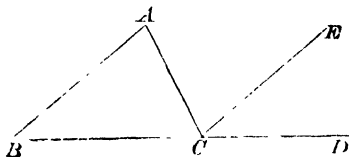
**Ex. 1.** From a given point draw a straight line, to make an angle with a given straight line that shall be equal to a given angle.

**Ex. 2.** Through a given point  $A$  draw a straight line  $ABC$ , meeting two parallel straight lines in  $B$  and  $C$ , so that  $BC$  may be equal to a given straight line.



## PROPOSITION XXXII. THEOREM.

If a side of any triangle be produced, the exterior angle is equal to the two interior and opposite angles, and the three interior angles of every triangle are together equal to two right angles.



Let  $ABC$  be a  $\Delta$ , and let one of its sides,  $BC$ , be produced to  $D$ .

Then will

I.  $\angle ACD = \angle s\ ABC, BAC$  together.

II.  $\angle s\ ABC, BAC, ACB$  together = two rt.  $\angle s$ .

From  $C$  draw  $CE \parallel$  to  $AB$ .

I. 31.

Then I.  $\because BD$  meets the  $\parallel s\ EC, AB$ ,

$\therefore$  extr.  $\angle ECD =$  intr.  $\angle ABC$ .

I. 29.

And  $\because AC$  meets the  $\parallel s\ EC, AB$ ,

$\therefore \angle ACE =$  alternate  $\angle BAC$ .

I. 29.

$\therefore \angle s\ ECD, ACE$  together =  $\angle s\ ABC, BAC$  together ;

$\therefore \angle ACD = \angle s\ ABC, BAC$  together.

And II.  $\because \angle s\ ABC, BAC$  together =  $\angle ACD$ ,

to each of these equals add  $\angle ACB$  ;

then  $\angle s\ ABC, BAC, ACB$  together =  $\angle s\ ACD, ACB$  together,

$\therefore \angle s\ ABC, BAC, ACB$  together = two rt.  $\angle s$ . I. 13.

Q. E. D.

Ex. 1. In an acute-angled triangle, any two angles are greater than the third.

Ex. 2. The straight line, which bisects the external vertical angle of an isosceles triangle is parallel to the base.

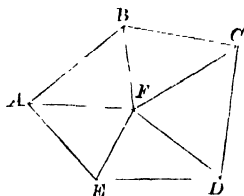
Ex. 3. If the side  $BC$  of the triangle  $ABC$  be produced to  $D$ , and  $AE$  be drawn bisecting the angle  $BAC$  and meeting  $BC$  in  $E$ ; shew that the angles  $ABD$ ,  $ACD$  are together double of the angle  $AED$ .

Ex. 4. If the straight lines bisecting the angles at the base of an isosceles triangle be produced to meet; shew that they will contain an angle equal to an exterior angle at the base of the triangle.

Ex. 5. If the straight line bisecting the external angle of a triangle be parallel to the base; prove that the triangle is isosceles.

The following Corollaries to Prop. 32 were first given in Simson's Edition of Euclid.

COR. 1. *The sum of the interior angles of any rectilinear figure together with four right angles is equal to twice as many right angles as the figure has sides.*



Let  $ABCDE$  be any rectilinear figure.

Take any pt.  $F$  within the figure, and from  $F$  draw the straight lines  $FA$ ,  $FB$ ,  $FC$ ,  $FD$ ,  $FE$  to the angular pts. of the figure

Then there are formed as many  $\Delta$ s as the figure has sides.

The three  $\angle$ s in each of these  $\Delta$ s together = two rt.  $\angle$ s.

$\therefore$  all the  $\angle$ s in these  $\Delta$ s together = twice as many right  $\angle$ s as there are  $\Delta$ s, that is, twice as many right  $\angle$ s as the figure has sides.

Now angles of all the  $\Delta$ s =  $\angle$ s at  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $C$ ,  $D$ ,  $E$  and  $\angle$ s at  $F$ ,

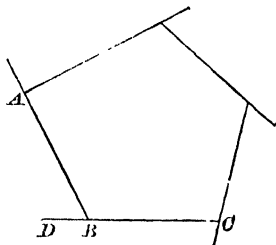
that is, =  $\angle$ s of the figure and  $\angle$ s at  $F$ ,

and  $\therefore$  =  $\angle$ s of the figure and four rt.  $\angle$ s. I. 15. Cor. 2.

$\therefore$   $\angle$ s of the figure and four rt.  $\angle$ s = twice as many rt.  $\angle$ s as the figure has sides.

COR. 2. *The exterior angles of any convex rectilinear figure, made by producing each of its sides in succession, are together equal to four right angles.*

Every interior angle, as  $ABC$ , and its adjacent exterior angle, as  $ABD$ , together are = two rt.  $\angle$ s.



$\therefore$  all the intr.  $\angle$ s together with all the extr.  $\angle$ s  
= twice as many rt.  $\angle$ s as the figure has sides.

But all the intr.  $\angle$ s together with four rt.  $\angle$ s  
= twice as many rt.  $\angle$ s as the figure has sides.

$\therefore$  all the intr.  $\angle$ s together with all the extr.  $\angle$ s  
= all the intr.  $\angle$ s together with four rt.  $\angle$ s.

$\therefore$  all the extr.  $\angle$ s = four rt.  $\angle$ s.

NOTE: The latter of these corollaries refers only to *convex* figures, that is, figures in which every interior angle is less than two right angles. When a figure contains an angle greater



than two right angles, as the angle marked by the dotted line in the diagram, this is called a *reflex angle*. See p. 149.

EX. 1. The exterior angles of a quadrilateral made by producing the sides successively are together equal to the interior angles.

Ex. 2. Prove that the interior angles of a hexagon are equal to eight right angles.

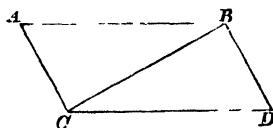
Ex. 3. Shew that the angle of an equiangular pentagon is  $\frac{6}{5}$  of a right angle.

Ex. 4. How many sides has the rectilinear figure, the sum of whose interior angles is double that of its exterior angles?

Ex. 5. How many sides has an equiangular polygon, four of whose angles are together equal to seven right angles?

### PROPOSITION XXXIII. THEOREM.

*The straight lines which join the extremities of two equal and parallel straight lines, towards the same parts, are also themselves equal and parallel.*



Let the equal and  $\parallel$  st. lines  $AB$ ,  $CD$  be joined towards the same parts by the st. lines  $AC$ ,  $BD$ .

*Then must  $AC$  and  $BD$  be equal and  $\parallel$ .*

Join  $BC$ .

Then  $\because AB$  is  $\parallel$  to  $CD$ ,

$\therefore \angle ABC = \text{alternate } \angle DCB.$  I. 29.

Then in  $\Delta$ s  $ABC$ ,  $BCD$ ,

$\because AB = CD$ , and  $BC$  is common, and  $\angle ABC = \angle DCB$ ,

$\therefore AC = BD$ , and  $\angle ACB = \angle DBC.$  I. 4.

Then  $\because BC$ , meeting  $AC$  and  $BD$ ,

makes the alternate  $\angle$ s  $ACB$ ,  $DBC$  equal,

$\therefore AC$  is  $\parallel$  to  $BD$ .

*Miscellaneous Exercises on Sections I. and II.*

1. If two exterior angles of a triangle be bisected by straight lines which meet in  $O$ ; prove that the perpendiculars from  $O$  on the sides, or the sides produced, of the triangle are equal.

2. Trisect a right angle.

3. The bisectors of the three angles of a triangle meet in one point.

4. The perpendiculars to the three sides of a triangle drawn from the middle points of the sides meet in one point.

5. The angle between the bisector of the angle  $BAC$  of the triangle  $ABC$  and the perpendicular from  $A$  on  $BC$ , is equal to half the difference between the angles at  $B$  and  $C$ .

6. If the straight line  $AD$  bisect the angle at  $A$  of the triangle  $ABC$ , and  $BDE$  be drawn perpendicular to  $AD$ , and meeting  $AC$ , or  $AC$  produced, in  $E$ ; shew that  $BD$  is equal to  $DE$ .

7. Divide a right-angled triangle into two isosceles triangles.

8.  $AB$ ,  $CD$  are two given straight lines. Through a point  $E$  between them draw a straight line  $GEH$ , such that the intercepted portion  $GH$  shall be bisected in  $E$ .

9. The vertical angle  $O$  of a triangle  $OPQ$  is a right, acute, or obtuse angle, according as  $OR$ , the line bisecting  $PQ$ , is equal to, greater or less than the half of  $PQ$ .

10. Shew by means of Ex. 9 how to draw a perpendicular to a given straight line from its extremity without producing it.

## SECTION III.

*On the Equality of Rectilinear Figures in respect of Area.*

THE amount of space enclosed by a Figure is called the Area of that figure.

Euclid calls two figures *equal* when they enclose the same amount of space. They may be dissimilar in shape, but if the areas contained within the boundaries of the figures be the same, then he calls the figures *equal*. He regards a triangle, for example, as a figure having sides and angles and area, and he proves in this section that two triangles may have equality of area, though the sides and angles of each may be unequal.

Coincidence of their boundaries is a test of the equality of all geometrical magnitudes, as we explained in Note 1, page 14.

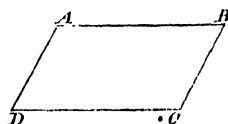
In the case of lines and angles it is the only test; in the case of *figures* it is a test, but not the only test; as we shall shew in this Section.

The sign =, standing between the symbols denoting two figures, must be read *is equal in area to*.

Before we proceed to prove the Propositions included in this Section, we must complete the list of Definitions required in Book I., continuing the numbers prefixed to the definitions in page 6

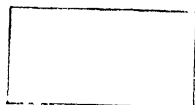
## DEFINITIONS.

XXVII. A PARALLELOGRAM is a four-sided figure whose opposite sides are parallel.



For brevity we often designate a parallelogram by two letters only, which mark opposite angles. Thus we call the figure in the margin the parallelogram  $AC$ .

XXVIII. A Rectangle is a parallelogram, having one of its angles a right angle.



Hence by I. 29, *all* the angles of a rectangle are right angles.

XXIX. A RHOMBUS is a parallelogram, having its sides equal.



XXX. A SQUARE is a parallelogram, having its sides equal and one of its angles a right angle.



Hence, by I. 29, *all* the angles of a square are right angles.

XXXI. A TRAPEZIUM is a four-sided figure of which two sides only are parallel.

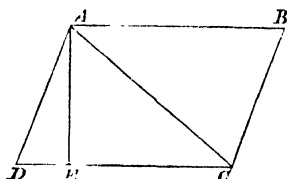


XXXII. A DIAGONAL of a four-sided figure is the straight line joining two of the opposite angular points.

XXXIII. The ALTITUDE of a Parallelogram is the perpendicular distance of one of its sides from the side opposite, regarded as the Base.

The altitude of a triangle is the perpendicular distance of one of its angular points from the side opposite, regarded as the base.

Thus if  $ABCD$  be a parallelogram, and  $AE$  a perpendicular let fall from  $A$  to  $CD$ ,  $AE$  is the altitude of the parallelogram, and also of the triangle  $ACD$ .



If a perpendicular be let fall from  $B$  to  $DC$  produced, meeting  $DC$  in  $F$ ,  $BF$  is the altitude of the parallelogram.

#### EXERCISES.

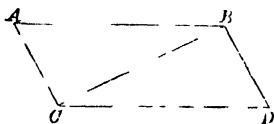
Prove the following theorems :

1. The diagonals of a square make with each of the sides an angle equal to half a right angle.
2. If two straight lines bisect each other, the lines joining their extremities will form a parallelogram.
3. Straight lines bisecting two adjacent angles of a parallelogram intersect at right angles.
4. If the straight lines joining two opposite angular points of a parallelogram bisect the angles, the parallelogram has all its sides equal.
5. If the opposite angles of a quadrilateral be equal, the quadrilateral is a parallelogram.
6. If two opposite sides of a quadrilateral figure be equal to one another, and the two remaining sides be also equal to one another, the figure is a parallelogram.
7. If one angle of a rhombus be equal to two-thirds of two right angles, the diagonal drawn from that angular point divides the rhombus into two equilateral triangles.



## PROPOSITION XXXIV. THEOREM.

*The opposite sides and angles of a parallelogram are equal to one another, and the diagonal bisects it.*



Let  $ABDC$  be a  $\square$ , and  $BC$  a diagonal of the  $\square$ .

Then must  $AB=DC$  and  $AC=DB$ ,

and  $\angle BAC = \angle CDB$ , and  $\angle ABD = \angle ACD$

and  $\triangle ABC = \triangle DCB$ .

For  $\because AB$  is  $\parallel$  to  $CD$ , and  $BC$  meets them,

$\therefore \angle ABC = \text{alternate } \angle DCB$ , I. 29.

and  $\because AC$  is  $\parallel$  to  $BD$ , and  $BC$  meets them,

$\therefore \angle ACB = \text{alternate } \angle DBC$ . I. 29.

Then in  $\triangle s$   $ABC$ ,  $DCB$ ,

$\therefore \angle ABC = \angle DCB$ , and  $\angle ACB = \angle DBC$ ,

and  $BC$  is common, a side adjacent to the equal  $\angle s$  in each ;

$\therefore AB=DC$ , and  $AC=DB$ , and  $\angle BAC = \angle CDB$ ,

and  $\triangle ABC = \triangle DCB$ . I. B.

Also  $\because \angle ABC = \angle DCB$ , and  $\angle DBC = \angle ACB$ ,

$\therefore \angle s$   $ABC$ ,  $DBC$  together  $= \angle s$   $DCB$ ,  $ACB$  together,

that is,  $\angle ABD = \angle ACD$ .

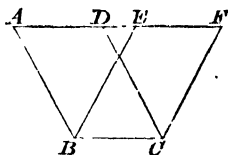
Q. E. D.

Ex. 1. Shew that the diagonals of a parallelogram bisect each other.

Ex. 2. Shew that the diagonals of a rectangle are equal.

## PROPOSITION XXXV. THEOREM.

*Parallelograms on the same base and between the same parallels are equal.*



Let the  $\square$ s  $ABCD$ ,  $EBCF$  be on the same base  $BC$  and between the same  $\parallel$ s  $AF$ ,  $BC$ .

Then must  $\square ABCD = \square EBCF$ .

CASE I. If  $AD$ ,  $EF$  have no point common to both,

Then in the  $\triangle$ s  $FDC$ ,  $EAB$ ,

$$\therefore \text{extr. } \angle FDC = \text{intr. } \angle EAB, \quad \text{I. 29.}$$

$$\text{and intr. } \angle DFC = \text{extr. } \angle AEB, \quad \text{I. 29.}$$

$$\text{and } DC = AB, \quad \text{I. 34.}$$

$$\therefore \triangle FDC = \triangle EAB. \quad \text{I. 26.}$$

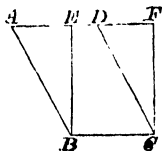
Now  $\square ABCD$  with  $\triangle FDC$  = figure  $ABCF$  ;

and  $\square EBCF$  with  $\triangle EAB$  = figure  $ABCF$  ;

$$\therefore \square ABCD \text{ with } \triangle FDC = \square EBCF \text{ with } \triangle EAB ;$$

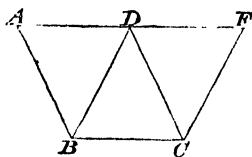
$$\therefore \square ABCD = \square EBCF.$$

CASE II. If the sides  $AD$ ,  $EF$  overlap one another,



the same method of proof applies.

CASE III. If the sides opposite to  $BC$  be terminated in the same point  $D$ ,



the same method of proof is applicable,

but it is easier to reason thus :

Each of the  $\square$ s is double of  $\triangle BDC$  ;

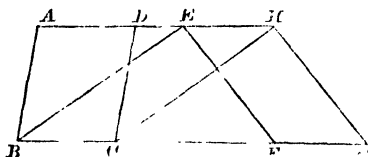
I. 34.

$\therefore \square ABCD = \square DBCF$ .

Q. E. D.

### PROPOSITION XXXVI. THEOREM

*Parallelograms on equal bases, and between the same parallels, are equal to one another.*



Let the  $\square$ s  $ABCD$ ,  $EFGH$  be on equal bases  $BC$ ,  $FG$ , and between the same  $\parallel$ s  $AH$ ,  $BG$ .

Then must  $\square ABCD = \square EFGH$

Join  $BE$ ,  $CH$ .

Then

$\therefore BC = FG$ ,

Hyp.

and  $EH = FG$  ;

I. 34.

$\therefore BC = EH$  ;

and  $BC$  is  $\parallel$  to  $EH$ .

Hyp.

$\therefore EB$  is  $\parallel$  to  $CH$  ;

I. 33.

$\therefore EBCH$  is a parallelogram.

Now  $\square EBCH = \square ABCD$ ,

I. 35.

$\therefore$  they are on the same base  $BC$  and between the same  $\parallel$ s ;

and  $\square EBCH = \square EFGH$ ,

I. 35.

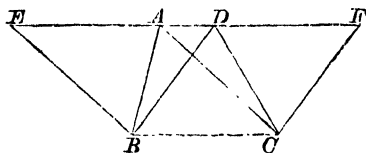
$\therefore$  they are on the same base  $EH$  and between the same  $\parallel$ s ;

$\therefore \square ABCD = \square EFGH$ .

Q. E. D.

## PROPOSITION XXXVII. THEOREM.

*Triangles upon the same base, and between the same parallels, are equal to one another.*



Let  $\triangle s$   $ABC$ ,  $DBC$  be on the same base  $BC$  and between the same  $\parallel s$   $AD$ ,  $BC$ .

Then must  $\triangle ABC = \triangle DBC$ .

From  $B$  draw  $BE \parallel$  to  $CA$  to meet  $DA$  produced in  $E$ .

From  $C$  draw  $CF \parallel$  to  $BD$  to meet  $AD$  produced in  $F$ .

Then  $EBCA$  and  $FCBD$  are parallelograms,

$$\text{and } \square EBCA = \square FCBD, \quad \text{I. 35.}$$

$\therefore$  they are on the same base and between the same  $\parallel s$ .

$$\text{Now } \triangle ABC \text{ is half of } \square EBCA, \quad \text{I. 34.}$$

$$\text{and } \triangle DBC \text{ is half of } \square FCBD; \quad \text{I. 34.}$$

$$\therefore \triangle ABC = \triangle DBC. \quad \text{Ax. 7.}$$

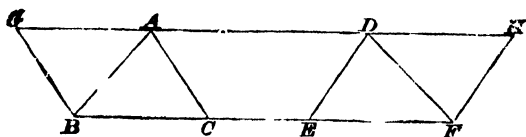
Q. E. D.

Ex. 1. If  $P$  be a point in a side  $AB$  of a parallelogram  $ABCD$ , and  $PC$ ,  $PD$  be joined, the triangles  $PAD$ ,  $PBC$  are together equal to the triangle  $PDC$ .

Ex. 2. If  $A$ ,  $B$  be points in one, and  $C$ ,  $D$  points in another of two parallel straight lines, and the lines  $AD$ ,  $BC$  intersect in  $E$ , then the triangles  $AEC$ ,  $BED$  are equal.

## PROPOSITION XXXVIII. THEOREM

*Triangles upon equal bases, and between the same parallels, are equal to one another*



Let  $\Delta$ s  $ABC$ ,  $DEF$  be on equal bases,  $BC$ ,  $EF$ , and between the same  $\parallel$ s  $BF$ ,  $AD$

*Then must  $\Delta ABC = \Delta DEF$ .*

From  $B$  draw  $BG \parallel$  to  $CA$  to meet  $DA$  produced in  $G$ .

From  $F$  draw  $FH \parallel$  to  $ED$  to meet  $AD$  produced in  $H$ .

Then  $CG$  and  $EH$  are parallelograms, and they are equal,

$\therefore$  they are on equal bases  $BC$ ,  $EF$ , and between the same  $\parallel$ s  $BF$ ,  $GH$ . I. 36

Now  $\Delta ABC$  is half of  $\square CG$ ,

and  $\Delta DEF$  is half of  $\square EH$ ;

$\therefore \Delta ABC = \Delta DEF$ .

AX. 7.

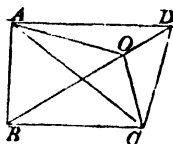
Q. E. D.

Ex. 1. Shew that a straight line, drawn from the vertex of a triangle to bisect the base, divides the triangle into two equal parts.

Ex. 2. In the equal sides  $AB$ ,  $AC$  of an isosceles triangle  $ABC$  points  $D$ ,  $E$  are taken such that  $BD = AE$ . Shew that the triangles  $CBD$ ,  $ABE$  are equal

PROPOSITION XXXIX. THEOREM.

*Equal triangles upon the same base, and upon the same side of it, are between the same parallels.*



Let the equal  $\Delta$ s  $ABC$ ,  $DBC$  be on the same base  $BC$ , and on the same side of it.

Join  $AD$ .

*Then must  $AD$  be  $\parallel$  to  $BC$ .*

For if not, through  $A$  draw  $AO \parallel$  to  $BC$ , so as to meet  $BD$ , or  $BD$  produced, in  $O$ , and join  $OC$ .

Then  $\because \Delta$ s  $ABC$ ,  $OBC$  are on the same base and between the same  $\parallel$ s,

$$\therefore \Delta ABC = \Delta OBC. \quad \text{I. 37}$$

$$\text{But} \quad \Delta ABC = \Delta DBC; \quad \text{Hyp.}$$

$$\therefore \Delta OBC = \Delta DBC,$$

the less = the greater, which is impossible ;

$$\therefore AO \text{ is not } \parallel \text{ to } BC.$$

In the same way it may be shewn that no other line passing through  $A$  but  $AD$  is  $\parallel$  to  $BC$  ;

$$\therefore AD \text{ is } \parallel \text{ to } BC.$$

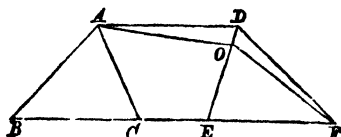
Q. E. D.

Ex. 1.  $AD$  is parallel to  $BC$  ;  $AC$ ,  $BD$  meet in  $E$  ;  $BC$  is produced to  $P$  so that the triangle  $PEB$  is equal to the triangle  $ABC$  ; shew that  $PD$  is parallel to  $AC$ .

Ex. 2. If of the four triangles into which the diagonals divide a quadrilateral, two opposite ones are equal, the quadrilateral has two opposite sides parallel.

## PROPOSITION XL. THEOREM.

*Equal triangles upon equal bases, in the same straight line, and towards the same parts, are between the same parallels.*



Let the equal  $\triangle s$   $ABC$ ,  $DEF$  be on equal bases  $BC$ ,  $EF$  in the same st. line  $BF$  and towards the same parts.

Join  $AD$ .

*Then must  $AD$  be  $\parallel$  to  $BF$ .*

For if not, through  $A$  draw  $AO \parallel$  to  $BF$ , so as to meet  $ED$ , or  $ED$  produced, in  $O$ , and join  $OF$ .

Then  $\triangle ABC = \triangle OEF$ ,  $\because$  they are on equal bases and between the same  $\parallel s$ . I. 38.

But  $\triangle ABC = \triangle DEF$ ; Hyp.

$\therefore \triangle OEF = \triangle DEF$ ,

the less = the greater, which is impossible.

$\therefore AO$  is not  $\parallel$  to  $BF$ .

In the same way it may be shewn that no other line passing through  $A$  but  $AD$  is  $\parallel$  to  $BF$ ,

$\therefore AD$  is  $\parallel$  to  $BF$ .

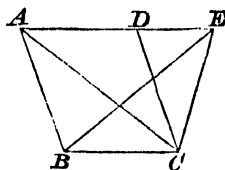
Q. E. D.

Ex. 1. The straight line, joining the points of bisection of two sides of a triangle, is parallel to the base, and is equal to half the base.

Ex. 2. The straight lines, joining the middle points of the sides of a triangle, divide it into four equal triangles.

## PROPOSITION XLI. THEOREM.

*If a parallelogram and a triangle be upon the same base, and between the same parallels, the parallelogram is double of the triangle.\**



Let the  $\square ABCD$  and the  $\triangle EBC$  be on the same base  $BC$  and between the same  $\parallel$ s  $AE, BC$ .

*Then must  $\square ABCD$  be double of  $\triangle EBC$ .*

Join  $AC$ .

Then  $\triangle ABC = \triangle EBC$ ,  $\because$  they are on the same base and between the same  $\parallel$ s ; I. 37.

and  $\square ABCD$  is double of  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $\because AC$  is a diagonal of  $ABCD$  ; I. 34.

$\therefore \square ABCD$  is double of  $\triangle EBC$ .

Q. E. D.

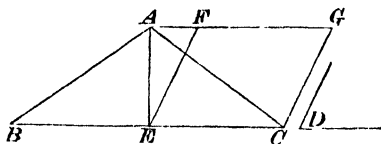
Ex. 1. If from a point, without a parallelogram, there be drawn straight lines to the ends of each of the two opposite sides, between which, when produced, the point does not lie, the difference of the triangles thus formed is equal to half the parallelogram.

Ex. 2. The two triangles, formed by drawing straight lines from any point within a parallelogram to the extremities of its opposite sides, are together half of the parallelogram.



## PROPOSITION XLII. PROBLEM.

To describe a parallelogram that shall be equal to a given triangle, and have one of its angles equal to a given angle.



Let  $ABC$  be the given  $\Delta$ , and  $D$  the given  $\angle$ .

It is required to describe a  $\square$  equal to  $\Delta ABC$ , having one of its  $\angle$ s =  $\angle D$ .

Bisect  $BC$  in  $E$  and join  $AE$ . I. 10.

At  $E$  make  $\angle CEF = \angle D$ . I. 23

Draw  $AFG \parallel$  to  $BC$ , and from  $C$  draw  $CG \parallel$  to  $EF$ .

Then  $FECG$  is a parallelogram.

Now  $\Delta AEB = \Delta AEC$ ,

$\therefore$  they are on equal bases and between the same  $\parallel$ s. I. 38.

$\therefore \Delta ABC$  is double of  $\Delta AEC$ .

But  $\square FECG$  is double of  $\Delta AEC$ ,

$\therefore$  they are on same base and between same  $\parallel$ s. I. 41.

$\therefore \square FECG = \Delta ABC$ , Ax. 6.

and  $\square FECG$  has one of its  $\angle$ s,  $CEF = \angle D$ .

$\therefore \square FECG$  has been described as was reqd.

Q. E. F.

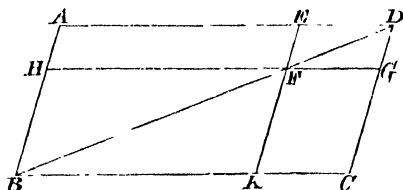
Ex. 1. Describe a triangle, which shall be equal to a given parallelogram, and have one of its angles equal to a given rectilineal angle.

Ex. 2. Construct a parallelogram, equal to a given triangle, and such that the sum of its sides shall be equal to the sum of the sides of the triangle.

Ex. 3. The perimeter of an isosceles triangle is greater than the perimeter of a rectangle, which is of the same altitude with, and equal to, the given triangle.

## PROPOSITION XLIII. THEOREM.

The complements of the parallelograms, which are about the diameter of any parallelogram, are equal to one another.



Let  $ABCD$  be a  $\square$ , of which  $BD$  is a diagonal, and  $EG, HK$  the  $\square$ s about  $BD$ , that is, through which  $BD$  passes,

and  $AF, FC$  the other  $\square$ s, which make up the whole figure  $ABCD$ ,

and which are  $\therefore$  called the Complements.

Then must complement  $AF$  = complement  $FC$ .

For  $\because BD$  is a diagonal of  $\square AC$ ,

$$\therefore \triangle ABD = \triangle CDB; \quad \text{I. 34.}$$

and  $\because BF$  is a diagonal of  $\square HK$ ,

$$\therefore \triangle HBF = \triangle KFB; \quad \text{I. 34.}$$

and  $\because FD$  is a diagonal of  $\square EG$ ,

$$\therefore \triangle EFD = \triangle GDF \quad \text{I. 34.}$$

Hence sum of  $\triangle$ s  $HBF, EFD$  = sum of  $\triangle$ s  $KFB, GDF$ .

Take these equals from  $\triangle$ s  $ABD, CDB$  respectively,

then remaining  $\square AF$  = remaining  $\square FC$ . Ax. 3.

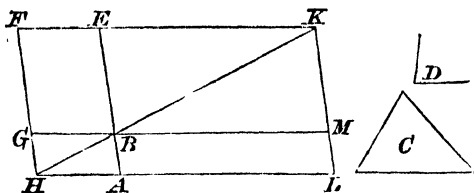
Q. E. D.

Ex. 1. If through a point  $O$ , within a parallelogram  $ABCD$ , two straight lines are drawn parallel to the sides, and the parallelograms  $OB, OD$  are equal; the point  $O$  is in the diagonal  $AC$ .

Ex. 2  $ABCD$  is a parallelogram,  $AMN$  a straight line meeting the sides  $BC, CD$  (one of them being produced) in  $M, N$ . Shew that the triangle  $MBN$  is equal to the triangle  $MDC$ .

## PROPOSITION XLIV. PROBLEM.

To a given straight line to apply a parallelogram, which shall be equal to a given triangle, and have one of its angles equal to a given angle.



Let  $AB$  be the given st. line,  $C$  the given  $\triangle$ ,  $D$  the given  $\angle$ .

It is required to apply to  $AB$  a  $\square = \triangle C$  and having one of its  $\angle$ s  $= \angle D$ .

Make a  $\square = \triangle C$ , and having one of its angles  $= \angle D$ , I. 42. and suppose it to be removed to such a position that one of the sides containing this angle is in the same st. line with  $AB$ , and let the  $\square$  be denoted by  $BEFG$ .

Produce  $FG$  to  $H$ , draw  $AH \parallel$  to  $BG$  or  $EF$ , and join  $BH$ .

Then  $\therefore FH$  meets the  $\parallel$ s  $AH$ ,  $EF$ ,

$\therefore$  sum of  $\angle$ s  $AHF$ ,  $HFE =$  two rt.  $\angle$ s; I. 29.

$\therefore$  sum of  $\angle$ s  $BHG$ ,  $HFE$  is less than two rt.  $\angle$ s;

$\therefore HB$ ,  $FE$  will meet if produced towards  $B$ ,  $E$ . Post. 6.

Let them meet in  $K$

Through  $K$  draw  $KL \parallel$  to  $EA$  or  $FH$ ,

and produce  $HA$ ,  $GB$  to meet  $KL$  in the pts.  $L$ ,  $M$ .

Then  $HFKL$  is a  $\square$ , and  $HK$  is its diagonal;

and  $AG$ ,  $ME$  are  $\square$ s about  $HK$ ,

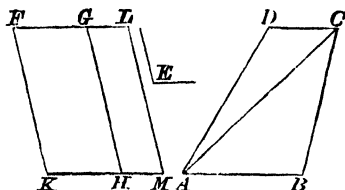
$\therefore$  complement  $BL =$  complement  $BF$ , I. 43.

$\therefore \square BL = \triangle C$ .

Also the  $\square BL$  has one of its  $\angle$ s,  $ABM = \angle EBG$ , and  $\therefore$  equal to  $\angle D$ .

## PROPOSITION XLV. PROBLEM.

To describe a parallelogram, which shall be equal to a given rectilinear figure, and have one of its angles equal to a given angle.



Let  $ABCD$  be the given rectil. figure, and  $E$  the given  $\angle$ .

It is required to describe a  $\square =$  to  $ABCD$ , having one of its  $\angle$ s  $= \angle E$ .

Join  $AC$ .

Describe a  $\square FGHK = \triangle ABC$ , having  $\angle FKH = \angle E$ .

I. 42.

To  $GH$  apply a  $\square GHML = \triangle CDA$ , having  $\angle GHM = \angle E$ .

I. 44.

Then  $FKML$  is the  $\square$  reqd.

For  $\because \angle GHM$  and  $\angle FKH$  are each  $= \angle E$ ;

$\therefore \angle GHM = \angle FKH$ ,

$\therefore$  sum of  $\angle$ s  $GHM, GHK =$  sum of  $\angle$ s  $FKH, GHK$   
 $=$  two rt.  $\angle$ s;

I. 29.

$\therefore KHM$  is a st. line.

I. 14.

Again,  $\because HG$  meets the  $\parallel$ s  $FG, KM$ ,

$\angle FGH = \angle GHM$ ,

$\therefore$  sum of  $\angle$ s  $FGH, LGH =$  sum of  $\angle$ s  $GHM, LGH$   
 $=$  two rt.  $\angle$ s;

I. 29.

$\therefore FGL$  is a st. line.

I. 14.

Then  $\because KF$  is  $\parallel$  to  $HG$ , and  $HG$  is  $\parallel$  to  $LM$

$\therefore KF$  is  $\parallel$  to  $LM$ ;

I. 30.

and  $KM$  has been shewn to be  $\parallel$  to  $FL$ ,

$\therefore FKML$  is a parallelogram,

and  $\because FH = \triangle ABC$ , and  $GM = \triangle CDA$ ,

$\therefore \square FM =$  whole rectil. fig.  $ABCD$ ,

and  $\square FM$  has one of its  $\angle$ s,  $FKM = \angle E$ .

In the same way a  $\square$  may be constructed equal to a given rectil. fig. of any number of sides, and having one of its angles equal to a given angle.

Q. E. F.

*Miscellaneous Exercises.*

1. If one diagonal of a quadrilateral bisect the other, it divides the quadrilateral into two equal triangles.

2. If from any point in the diagonal, or the diagonal produced, of a parallelogram, straight lines be drawn to the opposite angles, they will cut off equal triangles.

3. In a trapezium the straight line, joining the middle points of the parallel sides, bisects the trapezium.

4. The diagonals  $AC$ ,  $BD$  of a parallelogram intersect in  $O$ , and  $P$  is a point within the triangle  $AOB$ ; prove that the difference of the triangles  $CPD$ ,  $APB$  is equal to the sum of the triangles  $APC$ ,  $BPD$ .

5. If either diagonal of a parallelogram be equal to a side of the figure, the other diagonal shall be greater than any side of the figure.

6. If through the angles of a parallelogram four straight lines be drawn parallel to its diagonals, another parallelogram will be formed, the area of which will be double that of the original parallelogram.

7. If two triangles have two sides respectively equal and the included angles supplemental, the triangles are equal.

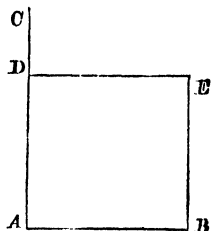
8. Bisect a given triangle by a straight line drawn from a given point in one of the sides.

9. The base  $AB$  of a triangle  $ABC$  is produced to a point  $D$  such that  $BD$  is equal to  $AB$ , and straight lines are drawn from  $A$  and  $D$  to  $E$ , the middle point of  $BC$ ; prove that the triangle  $ADE$  is equal to the triangle  $ABC$ .

10. Prove that a pair of the diagonals of the parallelograms, which are about the diameter of any parallelogram, are parallel to each other.

## PROPOSITION XLVI. PROBLEM.

*To describe a square upon a given straight line.*



Let  $AB$  be the given st. line.

*It is required to describe a square on  $AB$ .*

From  $A$  draw  $AC \perp$  to  $AB$  I. 11. Cor.

In  $AC$  make  $AD = AB$ .

Through  $D$  draw  $DE \parallel$  to  $AB$ . I. 31.

Through  $B$  draw  $BE \parallel$  to  $AD$ . I. 31

Then  $AE$  is a parallelogram,

and  $\therefore AB = ED$ , and  $AD = BE$ . I. 34.

But  $AB = AD$ ;

$\therefore AB, BE, ED, DA$  are all equal :

$\therefore AE$  is equilateral.

And  $\angle BAD$  is a right angle

$\therefore AE$  is a square, Def. xxx.

and it is described on  $AB$ .

Q. E. F.

Ex. 1. Shew how to construct a rectangle whose sides are equal to two given straight lines.

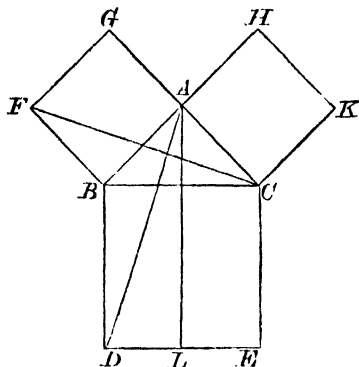
Ex. 2. Shew that the squares on equal straight lines are equal.

Ex. 3. Shew that equal squares must be on equal straight lines.

NOTE. The theorems in Ex. 2 and 3 are assumed by Euclid in the proof of Prop. XLVIII.

## PROPOSITION XLVII. THEOREM.

*In any right-angled triangle the square which is described on the side subtending the right angle is equal to the squares described on the sides which contain the right angle.*



Let  $ABC$  be a right-angled  $\Delta$ , having the rt.  $\angle BAC$ .

*Then must sq. on  $BC$  = sum of sqq. on  $BA$ ,  $AC$ .*

On  $BC$ ,  $CA$ ,  $AB$  descr. the sqq.  $BDEC$ ,  $CKHA$ ,  $AGFB$

Through  $A$  draw  $AL \parallel$  to  $BD$  or  $CE$ , and join  $AD$ ,  $FC$ .

Then  $\because \angle BAC$  and  $\angle BAG$  are both rt.  $\angle$ s,

$\therefore CAG$  is a st. line; I. 14.

and  $\because \angle BAC$  and  $\angle CAH$  are both rt.  $\angle$ s;

$\therefore BAH$  is a st. line. I. 14.

Now  $\because \angle DBC = \angle FBA$ , each being a rt.  $\angle$ ,

adding to each  $\angle ABC$ , we have

$\angle ABD = \angle FBC$ . Ax. 2.

Then in  $\Delta$ s  $ABD$ ,  $FBC$ ,

$\because AB = FB$ , and  $BD = BC$ , and  $\angle ABD = \angle FBC$ ,

$\therefore \Delta ABD = \Delta FBC$ . I. 4.

Now  $\square BL$  is double of  $\Delta ABD$ , on same base  $BD$  and between same  $\parallel$ s  $AL$ ,  $BD$ , I. 41.

and sq.  $BG$  is double of  $\Delta FBC$ , on same base  $FB$  and between same  $\parallel$ s  $FB$ ,  $GC$ ; I. 41.

$\therefore \square BL = \text{sq. } BG$ .

Similarly, by joining  $AE$ ,  $BK$  it may be shewn that

$$\square CL = \text{sq. } AK.$$

Now sq. on  $BC$  = sum of  $\square BL$  and  $\square CL$ ,

$$= \text{sum of sq. } BG \text{ and sq. } AK,$$

$$= \text{sum of sqq. on } BA \text{ and } AC.$$

Q. E. D.

Ex. 1. Prove that the square, described upon the diagonal of any given square, is equal to twice the given square.

Ex. 2. Find a line, the square on which shall be equal to the sum of the squares on three given straight lines.

Ex. 3. If one angle of a triangle be equal to the sum of the other two, and one of the sides containing this angle being divided into four equal parts, the other contains three of those parts; the remaining side of the triangle contains five such parts.

Ex. 4. The triangles  $ABC$ ,  $DEF$ , having the angles  $ACB$ ,  $DFE$  right angles, have also the sides  $AB$ ,  $AC$  equal to  $DE$ ,  $DF$ , each to each; shew that the triangles are equal in every respect.

NOTE. This Theorem has been already deduced as a Corollary from Prop E, page 43.

Ex. 5. Divide a given straight line into two parts, so that the square on one part shall be double of the square on the other.

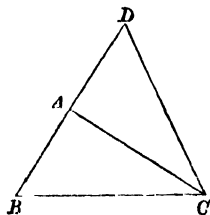
Ex. 6. If from one of the acute angles of a right-angled triangle a line be drawn to the opposite side, the squares on that side and on the line so drawn are together equal to the sum of the squares on the segment adjacent to the right angle and on the hypotenuse.

Ex. 7. In any triangle, if a line be drawn from the vertex at right angles to the base, the difference between the squares on the sides is equal to the difference between the squares on the segments of the base.



## PROPOSITION XIVIII. THEOREM.

If the square described upon one of the sides of a triangle be equal to the squares described upon the other two sides of it, the angle contained by those sides is a right angle.



Let the sq. on  $BC$ , a side of  $\triangle ABC$ , be equal to the sum of , , the sqq. on  $AB$ ,  $AC$ .

Then must  $\angle BAC$  be a rt. angle.

From pt.  $A$  draw  $AD \perp$  to  $AC$ . I. 11.

Make  $AD = AB$ , and join  $DC$ .

Then  $\therefore AD = AB$ ,

$\therefore$  sq. on  $AD =$  sq. on  $AB$ ; I. 46, Ex. 2.

add to each sq. on  $AC$ .

then sum of sqq. on  $AD$ ,  $AC =$  sum of sqq. on  $AB$ ,  $AC$ .

But  $\therefore \angle DAC$  is a rt. angle,

$\therefore$  sq. on  $DC =$  sum of sqq. on  $AD$ ,  $AC$ ; I. 47.

and, by hypothesis,

sq. on  $BC =$  sum of sqq. on  $AB$ ,  $AC$ ;

$\therefore$  sq. on  $DC =$  sq. on  $BC$ ;

$\therefore DC = BC$ . I. 46, Ex. 3.

Then in  $\triangle s ABC$ ,  $ADC$ ,

$\therefore AB = AD$ , and  $AC$  is common, and  $BC = DC$ ,

$\therefore \angle BAC = \angle DAC$ ; I. c.

and  $\angle DAC$  is a rt. angle, by construction;

$\therefore \angle BAC$  is a rt. angle.

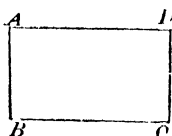
Q. E. D.

## BOOK II.

### INTRODUCTORY REMARKS.

THE geometrical figure with which we are chiefly concerned in this book is the RECTANGLE. A rectangle is said to be *contained by* any two of its adjacent sides.

Thus if  $ABCD$  be a rectangle, it is said to be contained by  $AB$ ,  $AD$ , or by any other pair of adjacent sides.



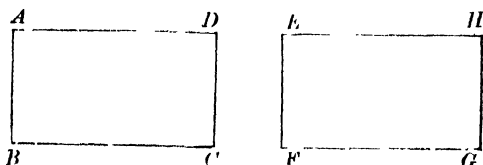
We shall use the abbreviation *rect.*  $AB$ ,  $AD$  to express the words "the rectangle contained by  $AB$ ,  $AD$ ."

We shall make frequent use of a Theorem (employed, but not demonstrated, by Euclid) which may be thus stated and proved.

#### PROPOSITION A. THEOREM.

*If the adjacent sides of one rectangle be equal to the adjacent sides of another rectangle, each to each, the rectangles are equal in area.*

Let  $ABCD$ ,  $EFGH$  be two rectangles :  
and let  $AB = EF$  and  $BC = FG$ .



*Then must rect.  $ABCD = \text{rect. } EFGH$ .*

For if the rect.  $EFGH$  be applied to the rect.  $ABCD$ , so that  $EF$  coincides with  $AB$ ,

then  $FG$  will fall on  $BC$ ,  $\because \angle EFG = \angle ABC$ ,

and  $G$  will coincide with  $C$ ,  $\because BC = FG$ .

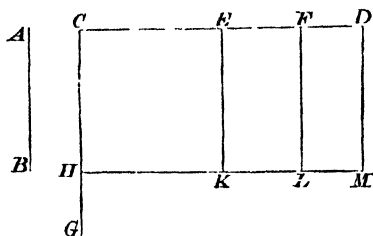
Similarly it may be shewn that  $H$  will coincide with  $D$ ;

$\therefore$  rect.  $EFGH$  coincides with and is therefore equal to rect.  $ABCD$ .

Q. E. D.

## PROPOSITION I. THEOREM.

If there be two straight lines, one of which is divided into any number of parts, the rectangle contained by the two straight lines is equal to the rectangles contained by the undivided line and the several parts of the divided line.



Let  $AB$  and  $CD$  be two given st. lines,

and let  $CD$  be divided into any parts in  $E, F$ .

Then must rect.  $AB, CD$  = sum of rect.  $AB, CE$  and rect.  $AB, EF$  and rect.  $AB, FD$ .

From  $C$  draw  $CG \perp$  to  $CD$ , and in  $CG$  make  $CH = AB$ .

Through  $H$  draw  $HM \parallel$  to  $CD$ .

I. 31.

Through  $E, F$ , and  $D$  draw  $EK, FL, DM \parallel$  to  $CH$ .

Then  $EK$  and  $FL$ , being each  $= CH$ , are each  $= AB$ .

Now  $CM$  = sum of  $CE$  and  $EF$  and  $FM$ .

And  $CM$  = rect.  $AB, CD$ ,  $\because CH = AB$ ,

$CE$  = rect.  $AB, CE$ ,  $\because CH = AB$ ,

$EF$  = rect.  $AB, EF$ ,  $\because EK = AB$ .

$FM$  = rect.  $AB, FD$ ,  $\because FL = AB$ ;

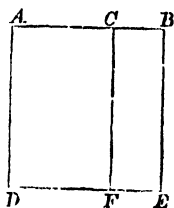
$\therefore$  rect.  $AB, CD$  = sum of rect.  $AB, CE$  and rect.  $AB, EF$  and rect.  $AB, FD$ .

Q. E. D.

Ex. If two straight lines be each divided into any number of parts, the rectangle contained by the two lines is equal to the rectangles contained by all the parts of the one taken separately with all the parts of the other.

## PROPOSITION II. THEOREM.

*If a straight line be divided into any two parts, the rectangles contained by the whole and each of the parts are together equal to the square on the whole line.*



Let the st. line  $AB$  be divided into any two parts in  $C$ .

*Then must*

*sq. on  $AB$  = sum of rect.  $AB, AC$  and rect.  $AB, CB$ .*

On  $AB$  describe the sq.  $ADEB$  I. 46.

Through  $C$  draw  $CF \parallel$  to  $AD$ . I. 31.

Then  $AE$  = sum of  $AF$  and  $CE$ .

Now  $AE$  is the sq. on  $AB$ ,

$AF$  = rect.  $AB, AC$ ,  $\because AD = AB$ ,

$CE$  = rect.  $AB, CB$ ,  $\because BE = AB$ ,

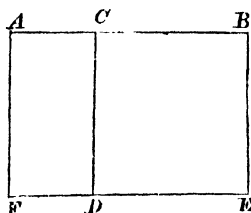
$\therefore$  sq. on  $AB$  = sum of rect.  $AB, AC$  and rect.  $AB, CB$ .

Q. E. D.

Ex. The square on a straight line is equal to four times the square on half the line.

## PROPOSITION III. THEOREM.

If a straight line be divided into any two parts, the rectangle contained by the whole and one of the parts is equal to the rectangle contained by the two parts together with the square on the aforesaid part.



Let the st. line  $AB$  be divided into any two parts in  $C$ .

Then must

rect.  $AB, CB$  = sum of rect.  $AC, CB$  and sq. on  $CB$ .

On  $CB$  describe the sq.  $CDEB$ . I. 46.

From  $A$  draw  $AF \parallel$  to  $CD$ , meeting  $ED$  produced in  $F$ .

Then  $AE$  = sum of  $AD$  and  $CE$ .

Now  $AE$  = rect.  $AB, CB$ ,  $\therefore BE = CB$ ,

$AD$  = rect.  $AC, CB$ ,  $\therefore CD = CB$ ,

$CE$  = sq. on  $CB$ .

$\therefore$  rect.  $AB, CB$  = sum of rect.  $AC, CB$  and sq. on  $CB$ .

Q. E. D.

NOTE. When a straight line is cut in a point, the distances of the point of section from the ends of the line are called the *segments* of the line.

If a line  $AB$  be divided in  $C$ ,

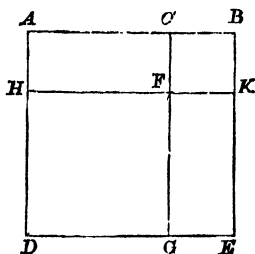
$AC$  and  $CB$  are called the *internal* segments of  $AB$ .

If a line  $AC$  be produced to  $B$ ,

$AB$  and  $CB$  are called the *external* segments of  $AC$ .

## PROPOSITION IV. THEOREM.

If a straight line be divided into any two parts, the square on the whole line is equal to the squares on the two parts together with twice the rectangle contained by the parts.



Let the st. line  $AB$  be divided into any two parts in  $C$ .

Then must

sq. on  $AB$  = sum of sqq. on  $AC$ ,  $CB$  and twice rect.  $AC$ ,  $CB$ .

On  $AB$  describe the sq.  $ADEB$ . I. 46.

From  $AD$  cut off  $AH = CB$ . Then  $HD = AC$ .

Draw  $CG \parallel$  to  $AD$ , and  $HK \parallel$  to  $AB$ , meeting  $CG$  in  $F$ .

Then  $\because BK = AH$ ,  $\therefore BK = CB$ , Ax. 1.

$\therefore BK, KF, FC, CB$  are all equal; and  $KBC$  is a rt.  $\angle$ ;

$\therefore CK$  is the sq. on  $CB$ . Def. xxx.

Also  $HG$  = sq. on  $AC$ ,  $\because HF$  and  $HD$  each =  $AC$ .

Now  $AE$  = sum of  $HG, CK, AF, FE$ ,

and  $AE$  = sq. on  $AB$ ,

$HG$  = sq. on  $AC$ ,

$CK$  = sq. on  $CB$ ,

$AF$  = rect.  $AC, CB$ ,  $\because CF = CB$ ,

$FE$  = rect.  $AC, CB$ ,  $\because FG = AC$  and  $FK = CB$ .

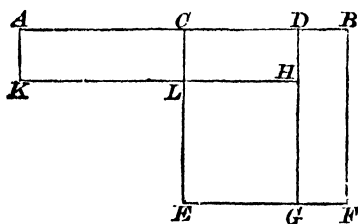
$\therefore$  sq. on  $AB$  = sum of sqq. on  $AC, CB$  and twice rect.  $AC, CB$ .

Q. E. D.

Ex. In a triangle, whose vertical angle is a right angle, a straight line is drawn from the vertex perpendicular to the base. Shew that the rectangle, contained by the segments of the base, is equal to the square on the perpendicular.

## PROPOSITION V. THEOREM.

If a straight line be divided into two equal parts and also into two unequal parts, the rectangle contained by the unequal parts, together with the square on the line between the points of section, is equal to the square on half the line.



Let the st. line  $AB$  be divided equally in  $C$  and unequally, in  $D$ .

Then must

rect.  $AD, DB$  together with sq. on  $CD$  = sq. on  $CB$ .

On  $CB$  describe the sq.  $CEFB$ . I. 46.

Draw  $DG \parallel$  to  $CE$ , and from it cut off  $DH = DB$ . I. 31.

Draw  $HLK \parallel$  to  $AD$ , and  $AK \parallel$  to  $DH$ . I. 31.

Then rect.  $DF$  = rect.  $AL$ ,  $\because BF = AC$ , and  $BD = CL$ .

Also  $LG$  = sq. on  $CD$ ,  $\because LH = CD$ , and  $HG = CD$ .

Then rect.  $AD, DB$  together with sq. on  $CD$

=  $AH$  together with  $LG$

= sum of  $AL$  and  $CH$  and  $LG$

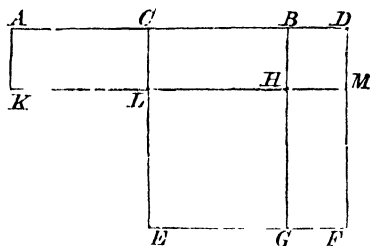
= sum of  $DF$  and  $CH$  and  $LG$

=  $CF$

= sq. on  $CB$ .

## PROPOSITION VI. THEOREM.

If a straight line be bisected and produced to any point, the rectangle contained by the whole line thus produced and the part of it produced, together with the square on half the line bisected, is equal to the square on the straight line which is made up of the half and the part produced.



Let the st. line  $AB$  be bisected in  $C$  and produced to  $D$ .

Then must

rect.  $AD, DB$  together with sq. on  $CB$  = sq. on  $CD$ .

On  $CD$  describe the sq.  $CEFD$ . I. 46.

Draw  $BG \parallel$  to  $CE$ , and cut off  $BH = BD$ . I. 31

Through  $H$  draw  $KLM \parallel$  to  $AD$  I. 31.

Through  $A$  draw  $AK \parallel$  to  $CE$ .

Now  $\because BG = CD$  and  $BH = BD$ ;

$\therefore HG = CB$ ; Ax. 3.

$\therefore$  rect.  $MG$  = rect.  $AL$ . II. A.

Then rect.  $AD, DB$  together with sq. on  $CB$

= sum of  $AM$  and  $LG$

= sum of  $AL$  and  $CM$  and  $LG$

= sum of  $MG$  and  $CM$  and  $LG$

=  $CF$

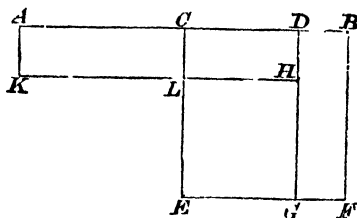
= sq. on  $CD$ .



NOTE. We here give the proof of an important theorem, which is usually placed as a corollary to Proposition V.

PROPOSITION B. THEOREM.

*The difference between the squares on any two straight lines is equal to the rectangle contained by the sum and difference of those lines.*



Let  $AC$ ,  $CD$  be two st. lines, of which  $AC$  is the greater and let them be placed so as to form one st. line  $AD$ .

Produce  $AD$  to  $B$ , making  $CB = AC$ .

Then  $AD$  = the sum of the lines  $AC$ ,  $CD$ ,

and  $DB$  = the difference of the lines  $AC$ ,  $CD$ .

Then must difference between sqq. on  $AC$ ,  $CD$  = rect.  $AD$ ,  $DB$ .

On  $CB$  describe the sq.  $CEFB$ . I. 46.

Draw  $DG \parallel$  to  $CE$ , and from it cut off  $DH = DE$ . I. 31.

Draw  $HLK \parallel$  to  $AD$ , and  $AK \parallel$  to  $DH$ . I. 31.

Then rect.  $DF$  = rect.  $AL$ ,  $\because BF = AC$ , and  $BD = CL$ .

Also  $LG$  = sq. on  $CD$ ,  $\because LH = CD$ , and  $HG = CD$ .

Then difference between sqq. on  $AC$ ,  $CD$

= difference between sqq. on  $CB$ ,  $CD$

= sum of  $CH$  and  $DE$

= sum of  $CH$  and  $AL$

=  $AH$

= rect.  $AD$ ,  $DH$

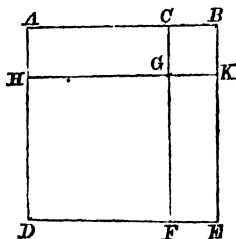
= rect.  $AD$ ,  $DB$ .

Q. E. D.

Ex. Shew that Propositions V. and VI. might be deduced from this Proposition.

## PROPOSITION VII. THEOREM.

If a straight line be divided into any two parts, the squares on the whole line and on one of the parts are equal to twice the rectangle contained by the whole and that part together with the square on the other part.



Let  $AB$  be divided into any two parts in  $C$ .

Then must

$\text{sq. on } AB, BC = \text{twice rect. } AB, BC \text{ together with sq. on } AC$ .

On  $AB$  describe the sq.  $ADEB$ . I. 46.

From  $AD$  cut off  $AH = CB$ .

Draw  $CF \parallel$  to  $AD$  and  $HGK \parallel$  to  $AB$ . I. 31.

Then  $HF = \text{sq. on } AC$ , and  $CK = \text{sq. on } CB$ .

Then  $\text{sq. on } AB, BC = \text{sum of } AF \text{ and } CK$

$= \text{sum of } AK, HF, GE \text{ and } CK$

$= \text{sum of } AK, HF \text{ and } CE$ .

Now  $AK = \text{rect. } AB, BC$ ,  $\therefore BK = BC$ ;

$CE = \text{rect. } AB, BC$ ,  $\therefore BE = AB$ ;

$HF = \text{sq. on } AC$ .

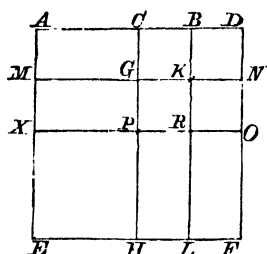
$\therefore \text{sq. on } AB, BC = \text{twice rect. } AB, BC \text{ together with sq. on } AC$

Q. E. D.

Ex. If straight lines be drawn from  $G$  to  $B$  and from  $G$  to  $D$ , shew that  $BGD$  is a straight line.

## PROPOSITION VIII. THEOREM.

If a straight line be divided into any two parts, four times the rectangle contained by the whole line and one of the parts, together with the square on the other part, is equal to the square on the straight line which is made up of the whole and the first part.



Let the st. line  $AB$  be divided into any two parts in  $C$ .

Produce  $AB$  to  $D$ , so that  $BD=BC$ .

Then must four times rect.  $AB, BC$  together with sq. on  $AC$  = sq. on  $AD$ .

On  $AD$  describe the sq.  $AEFD$ . I. 46.

From  $AE$  cut off  $AM$  and  $MX$  each =  $CB$ .

Through  $C, B$  draw  $CH, BL$   $\parallel$  to  $AE$ . I. 31.

Through  $M, X$  draw  $MGKN, XPRO$   $\parallel$  to  $AD$ . I. 31.

Now  $\because XE=AC$ , and  $XP=AC$ ,  $\therefore XH$  = sq. on  $AC$ .

Also  $AG=MP=PL=RF$ , II. A.

and  $CK=CR=BN=KO$ ; II. A.

$\therefore$  sum of these eight rectangles

= four times the sum of  $AG, CK$

= four times  $AK$

= four times rect.  $AB, BC$ .

Then four times rect.  $AB, BC$  and sq. on  $AC$

= sum of the eight rectangles and  $XH$

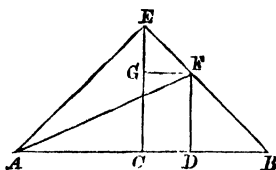
=  $AEFD$

= sq. on  $AD$ .

Q. E. D.

## PROPOSITION IX. THEOREM.

If a straight line be divided into two equal, and also into two unequal parts, the squares on the two unequal parts are together double of the square on half the line and of the square on the line between the points of section.



Let  $AB$  be divided equally in  $C$  and unequally in  $D$ .

Then must

sum of sqq. on  $AD$ ,  $DB$  = twice sum of sqq. on  $AC$ ,  $CD$ .

Draw  $CE = AC$  at rt.  $\angle$ s to  $AB$ , and join  $EA$ ,  $EB$ .

Draw  $DF$  at rt.  $\angle$ s to  $AB$ , meeting  $EB$  in  $F$ .

Draw  $EG$  at rt.  $\angle$ s to  $EC$ , and join  $AF$

Then  $\because \angle ACE$  is a rt.  $\angle$ ,

$\therefore$  sum of  $\angle$ s  $AEC$ ,  $EAC$  = a rt.  $\angle$ ; I. 32.

and  $\because \angle AEC = \angle EAC$ , I. A.

$\therefore \angle AEC$  = half a rt.  $\angle$ .

So also  $\angle BEC$  and  $\angle EBC$  are each = half a rt.  $\angle$ .

Hence  $\angle AEF$  is a rt.  $\angle$ .

Also,  $\because \angle GEF$  is half a rt.  $\angle$ , and  $\angle EGF$  is a rt.  $\angle$ ;

$\therefore \angle EFG$  is half a rt.  $\angle$ ;

$\therefore \angle EFG = \angle GEF$ , and  $\therefore EG = GF$ . I. B. Cor

So also  $\angle BFD$  is half a rt.  $\angle$ , and  $BD = DF$ .

Now sum of sqq. on  $AD$ ,  $DB$

= sq. on  $AD$  together with sq. on  $DF$

= sq. on  $AF$  I. 47.

= sq. on  $AE$  together with sq. on  $EF$  I. 47.

= sqq. on  $AC$ ,  $EC$  together with sqq. on  $EG$ ,  $GF$  I. 47.

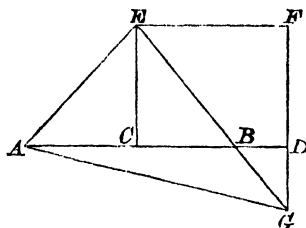
= twice sq. on  $AC$  together with twice sq. on  $GF$

= twice sq. on  $AC$  together with twice sq. on  $CD$ .

Q. E. D.

## PROPOSITION X. THEOREM.

If a straight line be bisected and produced to any point, the square on the whole line thus produced and the square on the part of it produced are together double of the square on half the line bisected and of the square on the line made up of the half and the part produced.



Let the st. line  $AB$  be bisected in  $C$  and produced to  $D$ .

Then must

sum of sqq. on  $AD$ ,  $BD$  = twice sum of sqq. on  $AC$ ,  $CD$ .

Draw  $CE \perp$  to  $AB$ , and make  $CE = AC$ .

Join  $EA$ ,  $EB$  and draw  $EF \parallel$  to  $AD$  and  $DF \parallel$  to  $CE$ .

Then  $\because \angle s$   $FEB$ ,  $EFD$  are together less than two rt.  $\angle s$ ,

$\therefore EB$  and  $FD$  will meet if produced towards  $B$ ,  $D$  in some pt.  $G$ .

Join  $AG$ .

Then  $\because \angle ACE$  is a rt.  $\angle$ ,

$\therefore \angle s$   $EAC$ ,  $AEC$  together = a rt.  $\angle$ ,

and  $\because \angle EAC = \angle AEC$ ,

$\therefore \angle AEC =$  half a rt.  $\angle$ .

I. A.

So also  $\angle s$   $BEC$ ,  $EBC$  each = half a rt.  $\angle$ .

$\therefore \angle AEB$  is a rt.  $\angle$ .

Also  $\angle DBG$ , which =  $\angle EBC$ , is half a rt.  $\angle$ ,

and  $\therefore \angle BGD$  is half a rt.  $\angle$ ;

$\therefore BD = DG$ .

I. B. Cor.

Again,  $\because \angle FGE =$  half a rt.  $\angle$ , and  $\angle EFG$  is a rt.  $\angle$ , I. 34.

$\therefore \angle FEG =$  half a rt.  $\angle$ , and  $EF = FG$ .

I. B. Cor.

Then sum of sqq. on  $AD$ ,  $DB$

= sum of sqq. on  $AD$ ,  $DG$

= sq. on  $AG$

I. 47.

= sq. on  $AE$  together with sq. on  $EG$

I. 47.

= sqq. on  $AC$ ,  $EC$  together with sqq. on  $EF$ ,  $FG$

I. 47.

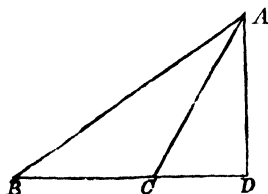
= twice sq. on  $AC$  together with twice sq. on  $EF$

= twice sq. on  $AC$  together with twice sq. on  $CD$ . Q. E. D.



## PROPOSITION XII. THEOREM.

*In obtuse-angled triangles, if a perpendicular be drawn from either of the acute angles to the opposite side produced, the square on the side subtending the obtuse angle is greater than the squares on the sides containing the obtuse angle, by twice the rectangle contained by the side, upon which, when produced, the perpendicular falls, and the straight line intercepted without the triangle between the perpendicular and the obtuse angle.*



Let  $ABC$  be an obtuse-angled  $\Delta$ , having  $\angle ACB$  obtuse.

From  $A$  draw  $AD \perp$  to  $BC$  produced.

Then must sq. on  $AB$  be greater than sum of sqq. on  $BC$ ,  $CA$  by twice rect.  $BC$ ,  $CD$ .

For since  $BD$  is divided into two parts in  $C$ ,  
sq. on  $BD$  = sum of sqq. on  $BC$ ,  $CD$ , and twice rect.  $BC$ ,  $CD$ .

II. 4.

Add to each sq. on  $DA$ : then  
sum of sqq. on  $BD$ ,  $DA$  = sum of sqq. on  $BC$ ,  $CD$ ,  $DA$  and  
twice rect.  $BC$ ,  $CD$ .

Now sqq. on  $BD$ ,  $DA$  = sq. on  $AB$ , I. 47.

and sqq. on  $CD$ ,  $DA$  = sq. on  $CA$ ; I. 47.

$\therefore$  sq. on  $AB$  = sum of sqq. on  $BC$ ,  $CA$  and twice rect.  $BC$ ,  $CD$ .

$\therefore$  sq. on  $AB$  is greater than sum of sqq. on  $BC$ ,  $CA$  by  
twice rect.  $BC$ ,  $CD$ .

Q. E. D.

Ex. The squares on the diagonals of a trapezium are together equal to the squares on its two sides, which are not parallel, and twice the rectangle contained by the sides, which are parallel.

## PROPOSITION XIII. THEOREM.

*In every triangle, the square on the side subtending any of the acute angles is less than the squares on the sides containing that angle, by twice the rectangle contained by either of these sides and the straight line intercepted between the perpendicular, let fall upon it from the opposite angle, and the acute angle.*

FIG. 1.

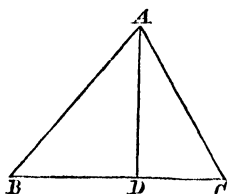
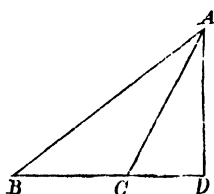


FIG. 2.



Let  $ABC$  be any  $\triangle$ , having the  $\angle ABC$  acute.

From  $A$  draw  $AD \perp$  to  $BC'$  or  $BC$  produced.

Then must sq. on  $AC'$  be less than the sum of sqq. on  $AB$ ,  $BC'$ , by twice rect.  $BC'$ ,  $BD$ .

For in Fig. 1  $BC$  is divided into two parts in  $D$ ,  
and in Fig. 2  $BD$  is divided into two parts in  $C'$ ;

$\therefore$  in both cases

sum of sqq. on  $BC'$ ,  $BD$  = sum of twice rect.  $BC'$ ,  $BD$  and  
sq. on  $CD$ . II. 7.

Add to each the sq. on  $DA$ , then

sum of sqq. on  $BC'$ ,  $BD$ ,  $DA$  = sum of twice rect.  $BC'$ ,  $BD$   
and sqq. on  $CD$ ,  $DA$ ;

$\therefore$  sum of sqq. on  $BC'$ ,  $AB$  = sum of twice rect.  $BC'$ ,  $BD$  and  
sq. on  $AC$ ; I. 47.

$\therefore$  sq. on  $AC$  is less than sum of sqq. on  $AB$ ,  $BC'$  by twice  
rect.  $BC'$ ,  $BD$ .

The case, in which the perpendicular  $AD$  coincides with  $AC$ ,  
needs no proof.

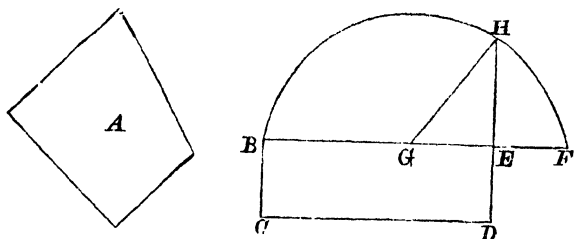
Q. E. D.

Ex. Prove that the sum of the squares on any two sides of  
a triangle is equal to twice the sum of the squares on half the  
base and on the line joining the vertical angle with the middle  
point of the base.



## PROPOSITION XIV. PROBLEM.

To describe a square that shall be equal to a given rectilinear figure.



Let  $A$  be the given rectil. figure.

It is reqd. to describe a square that shall  $= A$ .

Describe the rectangular  $\square BCDE = A$ . I. 45.

Then if  $BE = ED$  the  $\square BCDE$  is a square,  
and what was reqd. is done.

But if  $BE$  be not  $= ED$ , produce  $BE$  to  $F$ , so that  $EF = ED$ .

Bisect  $BF$  in  $G$ ; and with centre  $G$  and distance  $GB$ ,  
describe the semicircle  $BHF$ .

Produce  $DE$  to  $H$  and join  $GH$ .

Then,  $\because BF$  is divided equally in  $G$  and unequally in  $E$ ,

$\therefore$  rect.  $BE, EF$  together with sq. on  $GE$

$=$  sq. on  $GF$  II. 5.

$=$  sq. on  $GH$

$=$  sum of sqq. on  $EH, GE$ . I. 47.

Take from each the square on  $GE$ .

Then rect.  $BE, EF =$  sq. on  $EH$ .

But rect.  $BE, EF = BD$ ,  $\because EF = ED$ ;

$\therefore$  sq. on  $EH = BD$ ;

$\therefore$  sq. on  $EH =$  rectil. figure  $A$ .

Q. E. F.

*Miscellaneous Exercises on Book II.*

1. In a triangle, whose vertical angle is a right angle, a straight line is drawn from the vertex perpendicular to the base; shew that the square on either of the sides adjacent to the right angle is equal to the rectangle contained by the base and the segment of it adjacent to that side.

2. The squares on the diagonals of a parallelogram are together equal to the squares on the four sides.

3. If  $ABCD$  be any rectangle, and  $O$  any point either within or without the rectangle, shew that the sum of the squares on  $OA$ ,  $OC$  is equal to the sum of the squares on  $OB$ ,  $OD$ .

4. If either diagonal of a parallelogram be equal to one of the sides about the opposite angle of the figure, the square on it shall be less than the square on the other diameter, by twice the square on the other side about that opposite angle.

5. Produce a given straight line  $AB$  to  $C$ , so that the rectangle, contained by the sum and difference of  $AB$  and  $AC$ , may be equal to a given square.

6. Shew that the sum of the squares on the diagonals of any quadrilateral is less than the sum of the squares on the four sides, by four times the square on the line joining the middle points of the diagonals.

7. If the square on the perpendicular from the vertex of a triangle is equal to the rectangle, contained by the segments of the base, the vertical angle is a right angle.

8. If two straight lines be given, shew how to produce one of them so that the rectangle contained by it and the produced part may be equal to the square on the other.

9. If a straight line be divided into three parts, the square on the whole line is equal to the sum of the squares on the parts together with twice the rectangle contained by each two of the parts.

10. In any quadrilateral the squares on the diagonals are together equal to twice the sum of the squares on the straight lines joining the middle points of opposite sides.

11. If straight lines be drawn from each angle of a triangle to bisect the opposite sides, four times the sum of the squares on these lines is equal to three times the sum of the squares on the sides of the triangle.

12.  $CD$  is drawn perpendicular to  $AB$ , a side of the triangle  $ABC$ , in which  $AC = AB$ . Shew that the square on  $CD$  is equal to the square on  $BD$  together with twice the rectangle  $AD, DB$ .

13. The hypotenuse  $AB$  of a right-angled triangle  $ABC$  is trisected in the points  $D, E$ ; prove that if  $CD, CE$  be joined, the sum of the squares on the sides of the triangle  $CDE$  is equal to two-thirds of the square on  $AB$ .

14. The square on the hypotenuse of an isosceles right-angled triangle is equal to four times the square on the perpendicular from the right angle on the hypotenuse.

15. Divide a given straight line into two parts, so that the rectangle contained by them shall be equal to the square described upon a straight line, which is less than half the line divided.

NOTE 6.—On the Measurement of Areas.

To measure a Magnitude, we fix upon some magnitude of the same kind to serve as a standard or unit; and then any magnitude of that kind is measured by the number of times it contains this unit, and this number is called the MEASURE of the quantity.

Suppose, for instance, we wish to measure a straight line  $AB$ . We take another straight line  $EF$  for our standard,

$\overline{A} \qquad \qquad \qquad \overline{B} \qquad \qquad \qquad \overline{C} \qquad \qquad \qquad \overline{D} \qquad \qquad \qquad \overline{E} \qquad \overline{F}$

and then we say

if  $AB$  contain  $EF$  three times, the measure of  $AB$  is 3,  
 if .....four.....4,  
 if .....  $x$  ..... $x$ .

Next suppose we wish to measure two straight lines  $AB$   $CD$  by the same standard  $EF$ .

If  $AB$  contain  $EF$   $m$  times  
 and  $CD$  .....  $n$  times,

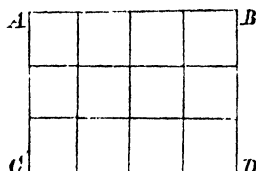
where  $m$  and  $n$  stand for numbers, whole or fractional, we say that  $AB$  and  $CD$  are *commensurable*.

But it may happen that we may be able to find a standard line  $EF$ , such that it is contained an exact number of times in  $AB$ ; and yet there is no number, whole or fractional, which will express the number of times  $EF$  is contained in  $CD$ .

In such a case, where no unit-line can be found, such that it is contained an exact number of times in *each* of two lines  $AB$ ,  $CD$ , these two lines are called *incommensurable*.

In the processes of Geometry we constantly meet with incommensurable magnitudes. Thus the side and diagonal of a square are incommensurables; and so are the diameter and circumference of a circle.

Next, suppose two lines  $AB$ ,  $AC$  to be at right angles to each other and to be commensurable, so that  $AB$  contains four times a certain unit of linear measurement, which is contained by  $AC$  three times.



Divide  $AB$ ,  $AC$  into four and three equal parts respectively, and draw lines through the points of division parallel to  $AC$ ,  $AB$  respectively; then the rectangle  $ACDB$  is divided into a number of equal squares, each constructed on a line equal to the unit of linear measurement.

If one of these squares be taken as the unit of area, the *measure* of the area of the rectangle  $ACDB$  will be the number of these squares.

Now this number will evidently be the same as that obtained by multiplying the measure of  $AB$  by the measure of  $AC$ ; that is, the measure of  $AB$  being 4 and the measure of  $AC$  3, the measure of  $ACDB$  is  $4 \times 3$  or 12. (Algebra, Art. 38.)

And *generally*, if the measures of two adjacent sides of a rectangle, supposed to be commensurable, be  $a$  and  $b$ , then the measure of the rectangle will be  $ab$ . (Algebra, Art. 39.)

If all lines were commensurable, then, whatever might be the length of two adjacent sides of a rectangle, we might select the unit of length, so that the measures of the two sides should be whole numbers; and then we might apply the processes of Algebra to establish many Propositions in Geometry by simpler methods than those adopted by Euclid.

Take, for example, the theorem in Book II. Prop. iv.

If all lines were commensurable we might proceed thus :—

Let the measure of  $AC$  be  $x$ ,

..... of  $CB$  ...  $y$ ,

Then the measure of  $AB$  is  $x+y$ .

Now

$$(x+y)^2 = x^2 + y^2 + 2xy,$$

which proves the theorem.

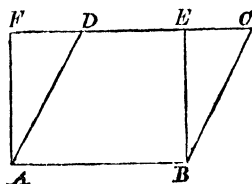
But, inasmuch as all lines are not commensurable, we have in Geometry to treat of *magnitudes* and not of *measures*: that is, when we use the symbol  $A$  to represent a line (as in I. 22),  $A$  stands for the line itself and not, as in Algebra, for the number of units of length contained by the line.

The method, adopted by Euclid in Book II. to explain the relations between the rectangles contained by certain lines, is more exact than any method founded upon Algebraical principles can be; because his method applies not merely to the case in which the sides of a rectangle are commensurable, but also to the case in which they are incommensurable.

The student is now in a position to understand the practical application of the theory of Equivalence of Areas, of which the foundation is the 35th Proposition of Book I. We shall give a few examples of the use made of this theory in Mensuration.

### *Area of a Parallelogram.*

The area of a parallelogram  $ABCD$  is equal to the area of the rectangle  $ABEF$  on the same base  $AB$  and between the same parallels  $AB, FC$ .



Now  $BE$  is the altitude of the parallelogram  $ABCD$  if  $AB$  be taken as the base.

Hence area of  $\square ABCD = \text{rect. } AB, BE$ .

If then the measure of the base be denoted by  $b$ ,

and ..... altitude .....  $h$ ,

the measure of the area of the  $\square$  will be denoted by  $bh$ .

That is, when the base and altitude are commensurable,  
measure of area = measure of base into measure of altitude.

*Area of a Triangle.*

If from one of the angular points  $A$  of a triangle  $ABC$ , a perpendicular  $AD$  be drawn to  $BC$ , Fig. 1, or to  $BC$  produced, Fig. 2,

FIG. 1.

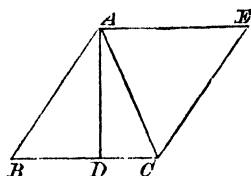
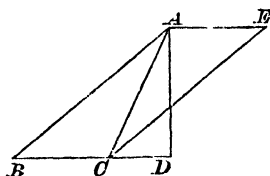


FIG. 2.



and if, in both cases, a parallelogram  $ABCE$  be completed of which  $AB$ ,  $BC$  are adjacent sides,

area of  $\triangle ABC$  = half of area of  $\square ABCE$ .

Now if the measure of  $BC$  be  $b$ ,

and .....  $AD$  ...  $h$ ,

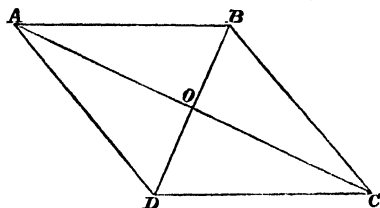
measure of area of  $\square ABCE$  is  $bh$  ;

$\therefore$  measure of area of  $\triangle ABC$  is  $\frac{bh}{2}$ .

*Area of a Rhombus.*

Let  $ABCD$  be the given rhombus.

Draw the diagonals  $AC$  and  $BD$ , cutting one another in  $O$ .



It is easy to prove that  $AC$  and  $BD$  bisect each other at right angles.

Then if the measure of  $AC$  be  $x$ ,

and .....  $BD$  ...  $y$ ,

measure of area of rhombus = twice measure of  $\triangle ACD$ .

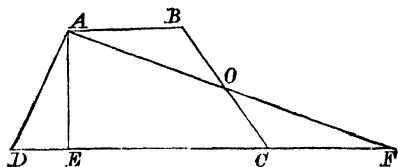
$$= \text{twice } \frac{xy}{4}$$

$$= \frac{xy}{2}.$$

*Area of a Trapezium.*

Let  $ABCD$  be the given trapezium, having the sides  $AB$ ,  $CD$  parallel.

Draw  $AE$  at right angles to  $CD$ .



Produce  $DC$  to  $F$ , making  $CF = AB$ .

Join  $AF$ , cutting  $BC$  in  $O$ .

Then in  $\triangle$ s  $AOB$ ,  $COF$ ,

$\therefore \angle BAO = \angle CFO$ , and  $\angle AOB = \angle FOC$ , and  $AB = CF$ ;

$$\therefore \triangle COF = \triangle AOB. \quad \text{I. 26.}$$

Hence trapezium  $ABCD = \triangle ADF$ .

Now suppose the measures of  $AB$ ,  $CD$ ,  $AE$  to be  $m$ ,  $n$ ,  $p$  respectively;

$$\therefore \text{measure of } DF = m + n, \because CF = AB.$$

Then measure of area of trapezium

$$= \frac{1}{2} (\text{measure of } DF \times \text{measure of } AE)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (m + n) \times p.$$

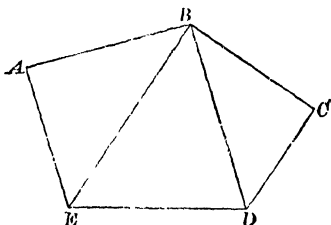
That is, the measure of the area of a trapezium is found by multiplying half the measure of the sum of the parallel sides by the measure of the perpendicular distance between the parallel sides.



*Area of an Irregular Polygon.*

There are three methods of finding the area of an irregular polygon, which we shall here briefly notice.

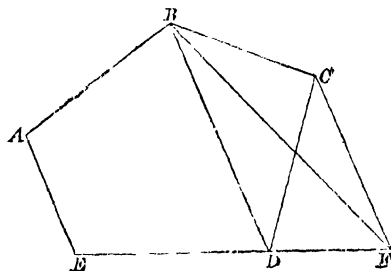
I. *The polygon may be divided into triangles, and the area of each of these triangles be found separately.*



Thus the area of the irregular polygon  $ABCDE$  is equal to the sum of the areas of the triangles  $ABE$ ,  $EBD$ ,  $DBC$ .

II. *The polygon may be converted into a single triangle of equal area.*

If  $ABCDE$  be a pentagon, we can convert it into an equivalent quadrilateral by the following process :



Join  $BD$  and draw  $CF$  parallel to  $BD$ , meeting  $ED$  produced in  $F$ , and join  $BF$ .

Then will quadrilateral  $ABFE$  = pentagon  $ABCDE$ .

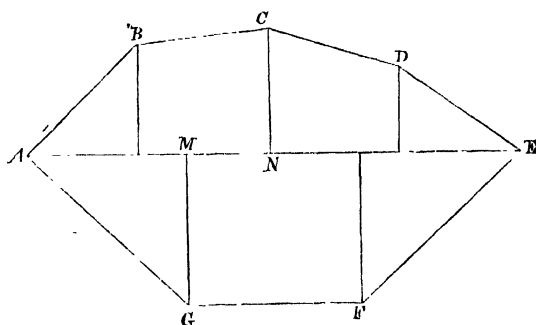
For  $\triangle BDF$  =  $\triangle BCD$ , on same base  $BD$  and between same parallels.

If, then, from the pentagon we remove  $\triangle BCD$ , and add  $\triangle BDF$  to the remainder, we obtain a quadrilateral  $ABFE$  equivalent to the pentagon  $ABCDE$

The quadrilateral may then, by a similar process, be converted into an equivalent triangle, and thus a polygon of any number of sides may be gradually converted into an equivalent triangle.

The area of this triangle may then be found.

III. The third method is chiefly employed in practice by Surveyors.



Let  $ABCDEFG$  be an irregular polygon.

Draw  $AE$ , the longest diagonal, and drop perpendiculars on  $AE$  from the other angular points of the polygon.

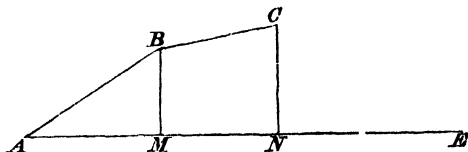
The polygon is thus divided into figures which are either right-angled triangles, rectangles, or trapeziums; and the areas of each of these figures may be readily calculated.

NOTE 7. *On Projections.*

The projection of a *point B*, on a straight line of unlimited length *AE*, is the point *M* at the foot of the perpendicular dropped from *B* on *AE*.

The projection of a *straight line BC*, on a straight line of unlimited length *AE*, is *MN*,—the part of *AE* intercepted between perpendiculars drawn from *B* and *C*.

When two lines, as *AB* and *AC*, form an angle, the projection of *AB* on *AC* is *AM*.



We might employ the term projection with advantage to shorten and make clearer the enunciations of Props. XII. and XIII. of Book II.

Thus the enunciation of Prop. XII. might be :—

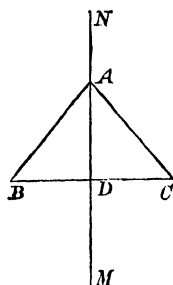
“In oblique-angled triangles, the square on the side subtending the obtuse angle is greater than the squares on the sides containing that angle, by twice the rectangle contained by one of these sides and the projection of the other on it.”

The enunciation of Prop. XIII. might be altered in a similar manner.

NOTE 8. *On Loci.*

Suppose we have to determine the position of a point, which is equidistant from the extremities of a given straight line  $BC$ .

There is an infinite number of points satisfying this condition, for the vertex of any isosceles triangle, described on  $BC$  as its base, is equidistant from  $B$  and  $C$ .



Let  $ABC$  be one of the isosceles triangles described on  $BC$ .

If  $BC$  be bisected in  $D$ ,  $MN$ , a perpendicular to  $BC$  drawn through  $D$ , will pass through  $A$ .

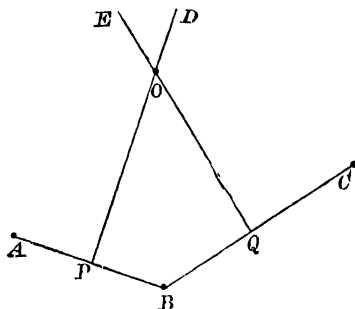
It is easy to shew that any point in  $MN$ , or  $MN$  produced in either direction, is equidistant from  $B$  and  $C$ .

It may also be proved that no point out of  $MN$  is equidistant from  $B$  and  $C$ .

The line  $MN$  is called the Locus of all the points, infinite in number, which are equidistant from  $B$  and  $C$ .

DEF. In plane Geometry *Locus* is the name given to a line, straight or curved, all of whose points satisfy a certain geometrical condition (or have a common property), to the exclusion of all other points,

Next, suppose we have to determine the position of a point, which is equidistant from three given points  $A, B, C$ , not in the same straight line.



If we join  $A$  and  $B$ , we know that all points equidistant from  $A$  and  $B$  lie in the line  $PD$ , which bisects  $AB$  at right angles.

If we join  $B$  and  $C$ , we know that all points equidistant from  $B$  and  $C$  lie in the line  $QE$ , which bisects  $BC$  at right angles.

Hence  $O$ , the point of intersection of  $PD$  and  $QE$ , is the only point equidistant from  $A, B$  and  $C$ .

$PD$  is the Locus of points equidistant from  $A$  and  $B$ ,

$QE$ .....  $B$  and  $C$ ,

and the Intersection of these Loci determines the point, which is equidistant from  $A, B$  and  $C$ .

### *Examples of Loci.*

Find the loci of

- (1) Points at a given distance from a given point.
- (2) Points at a given distance from a given straight line.
- (3) The middle points of straight lines drawn from a given point to a given straight line.
- (4) Points equidistant from the arms of an angle.
- (5) Points equidistant from a given circle.
- (6) Points equally distant from two straight lines which intersect.

NOTE 9. *On the Methods employed in the solution of Problems.*

In the solution of Geometrical Exercises, certain methods may be applied with success to particular classes of questions.

We propose to make a few remarks on these methods, so far as they are applicable to the first two books of Euclid's Elements.

*The Method of Synthesis.*

In the Exercises, attached to the Propositions in the preceding pages, the construction of the diagram, necessary for the solution of each question, has usually been fully described, or sufficiently suggested.

The student has in most cases been required simply to apply the geometrical fact, proved in the Proposition preceding the exercise, in order to arrive at the conclusion demanded in the question.

This way of proceeding is called Synthesis ( $\sigma\acute{\upsilon}\nu\theta\epsilon\sigma\iota\varsigma$  = composition), because in it we proceed by a regular chain of reasoning from what is *given* to what is *sought*. This being the method employed by Euclid throughout the Elements, we have no need to exemplify it here.

*The Method of Analysis.*

The solution of many Problems is rendered more easy by *supposing the problem solved and the diagram constructed*. It is then often possible to observe relations between lines, angles and figures in the diagram, which are suggestive of the steps by which the necessary construction might have been effected.

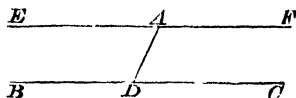
This is called the Method of Analysis ( $\alpha\nu\acute{\alpha}\lambda\upsilon\sigma\iota\varsigma$  = resolution). It is a method of discovering truth by reasoning concerning things unknown or propositions merely supposed, as if the one were given or the other were really true. The process can best be explained by the following examples.

Our first example of the Analytical process shall be the 31st Proposition of Euclid's First Book.

Ex. 1. *To draw a straight line through a given point parallel to a given straight line.*

Let  $A$  be the given point, and  $BC$  be the given straight line.

Suppose the problem to be effected, and  $EF$  to be the straight line required.



Now we know that any straight line  $AD$  drawn from  $A$  to meet  $BC$  makes equal angles with  $EF$  and  $BC$ . (I. 29.)

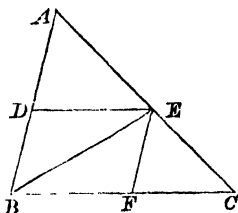
This is a fact from which we can work backward, and arrive at the steps necessary for the solution of the problem ; thus :

Take any point  $D$  in  $BC$ , join  $AD$ , make  $\angle EAD = \angle ADC$ , and produce  $EA$  to  $F$  then  $EF$  must be parallel to  $BC$ .

Ex. 2. *To inscribe in a triangle a rhombus, having one of its angles coincident with an angle of the triangle.*

Let  $ABC$  be the given triangle.

Suppose the problem to be effected, and  $DBFE$  to be the rhombus.



Then if  $EB$  be joined,  $\angle DBE = \angle FBE$ .

This is a fact from which we can work backward, and deduce the necessary construction ; thus :

Bisect  $\angle ABC$  by the straight line  $BE$ , meeting  $AC$  in  $E$ .

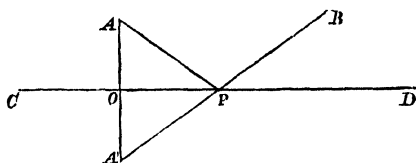
Draw  $ED$  and  $EF$  parallel to  $BC$  and  $AB$  respectively.

Then  $DBFE$  is the rhombus required. (See Ex. 4, p. 59.)

Ex. 3. To determine the point in a given straight line, at which straight lines, drawn from two given points, on the same side of the given line, make equal angles with it.

Let  $CD$  be the given line, and  $A$  and  $B$  the given points.

Suppose the problem to be effected, and  $P$  to be the point required.



We then reason thus :

If  $BP$  were produced to some point  $A'$ ,

$\angle CPA'$ , being  $= \angle BPD$ , will be  $= \angle APC$ .

Again, if  $PA'$  be made equal to  $PA$ ,

$AA'$  will be bisected by  $CP$  at right angles.

This is a fact from which we can work backward, and find the steps necessary for the solution of the problem ; thus :

From  $A$  draw  $AO \perp$  to  $CD$ .

Produce  $AO$  to  $A'$ , making  $OA' = OA$ .

Join  $BA'$ , cutting  $CD$  in  $P$ .

Then  $P$  is the point required.

#### NOTE 10. On Symmetry.

The problem, which we have just been considering, suggests the following remarks :

If two points,  $A$  and  $A'$ , be so situated with respect to a straight line  $CD$ , that  $CD$  bisects at right angles the straight line joining  $A$  and  $A'$ , then  $A$  and  $A'$  are said to be *symmetrical* with regard to  $CD$ .

The importance of symmetrical relations, as suggestive of methods for the solution of problems, cannot be fully shewn



to a learner, who is unacquainted with the properties of the circle. The following example, however, will illustrate this part of the subject sufficiently for our purpose at present.

*Find a point in a given straight line, such that the sum of its distances from two fixed points on the same side of the line is a minimum, that is, less than the sum of the distances of any other point in the line from the fixed points.*

Taking the diagram of the last example, suppose  $CD$  to be the given line, and  $A, B$  the given points.

Now if  $A$  and  $A'$  be symmetrical with respect to  $CD$ , we know that *every* point in  $CD$  is equally distant from  $A$  and  $A'$ . (See Note 8, p. 103.)

Hence the sum of the distances of any point in  $CD$  from  $A$  and  $B$  is equal to the sum of the distances of that point from  $A'$  and  $B$ .

But the sum of the distances of a point in  $CD$  from  $A'$  and  $B$  is the least possible when it lies in the straight line joining  $A'$  and  $B$ .

Hence the point  $P$ , determined as in the last example, is the point required.

NOTE. Propositions IX., X., XI., XII. of Book I. give good examples of symmetrical constructions.

#### NOTE 11. *Euclid's Proof of I. 5.*

*The angles at the base of an isosceles triangle are equal to one another; and if the equal sides be produced, the angles upon the other side of the base shall be equal.*

Let  $ABC$  be an isosceles  $\Delta$ , having  $AB = AC$ .

Produce  $AB, AC$  to  $D$  and  $E$ .

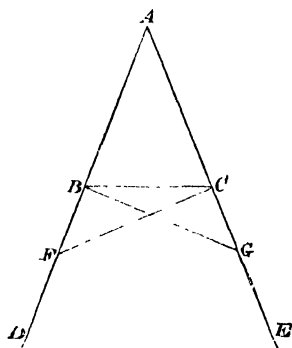
Then must  $\angle ABC = \angle ACB$ ,

and  $\angle DBC = \angle ECB$ .

In  $BD$  take any pt.  $F$ .

From  $AE$  cut off  $AG=AF$ .

Join  $FC$  and  $GB$ .



Then in  $\triangle s AEC, AGB$ ,

$\therefore EA=GA$ , and  $AC=AB$ , and  $\angle EAC=\angle GAB$ ,

$\therefore EC=GB$ , and  $\angle AEC=\angle AGB$ , and  $\angle ACE=\angle ABG$ .

I. 4.

Again,  $\therefore AF=AG$ ,

of which the parts  $AB, AC$  are equal,

$\therefore$  remainder  $BF$ =remainder  $CG$ .

Ax. 3.

Then in  $\triangle s BFC, CGB$ ,

$\therefore BF=CG$ , and  $FC=GB$ , and  $\angle BFC=\angle CGB$ .

$\therefore \angle FBC=\angle GCB$ , and  $\angle BCF=\angle CBG$ ,

I. 4.

Now it has been proved that  $\angle ACE=\angle ABG$ ,

of which the parts  $\angle BCF$  and  $\angle CBG$  are equal;

$\therefore$  remaining  $\angle ACB$ =remaining  $\angle ABC$ .

Ax. 3.

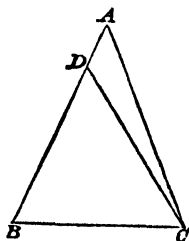
Also it has been proved that  $\angle FBC=\angle GCB$ ,

that is,

$\angle DBC=\angle ECB$ .

NOTE 12. *Euclid's Proof of I. 6.*

If two angles of a triangle be equal to one another, the sides also, which subtend the equal angles, shall be equal to one another.



In  $\triangle ABC$  let  $\angle ACB = \angle ABC$ .

Then must  $AB = AC$ .

For if not,  $AB$  is either greater or less than  $AC$ .

Suppose  $AB$  to be greater than  $AC$ .

From  $AB$  cut off  $BD = AC$ , and join  $DC$ .

Then in  $\triangle s DBC, ACB$ ,

$\therefore DB = AC$ , and  $BC$  is common, and  $\angle DBC = \angle ACB$ ,

$\therefore \triangle DBC = \triangle ACB$ ; I.\*4.

that is, the less = the greater; which is absurd.

$\therefore AB$  is not greater than  $AC$ .

Similarly it may be shewn that  $AB$  is not less than  $AC$ ;

$\therefore AB = AC$ .

Q. E. D.

NOTE 13. *Euclid's Proof of I. 7.*

Upon the same base and on the same side of it, there cannot be two triangles that have their sides which are terminated in one extremity of the base equal to one another, and their sides which are terminated in the other extremity of the base equal also.

If it be possible, on the same base  $AB$ , and on the same side of it, let there be two  $\triangle s ACB, ADB$ , such that  $AC = AD$ , and also  $BC = BD$ .

Join  $CD$ .

First, when the vertex of each of the  $\Delta$ s is *outside* the other  $\Delta$  (Fig. 1.);

FIG. 1.

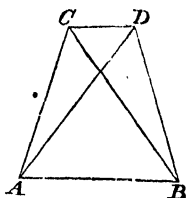
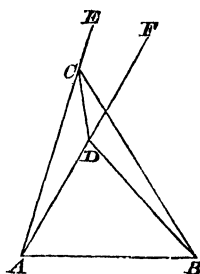


FIG. 2.



$$\therefore AD = AC,$$

$$\therefore \angle ACD = \angle ADC.$$

I. 5.

But  $\angle ACD$  is greater than  $\angle BCD$ ;

$\therefore \angle ADC$  is greater than  $\angle BCD$ ;

much more is  $\angle BDC$  greater than  $\angle BCD$ .

Again,  $\therefore BC = BD,$

$$\therefore \angle BDC = \angle BCD,$$

that is,  $\angle BDC$  is both equal to and greater than  $\angle BCD$ ; which is absurd.

Secondly, when the vertex  $D$  of one of the  $\Delta$ s falls *within* the other  $\Delta$  (Fig. 2);

Produce  $AC$  and  $AD$  to  $E$  and  $F$

Then  $\therefore AC = AD.$

$$\therefore \angle ECD = \angle FDC.$$

I. 5.

But  $\angle ECD$  is greater than  $\angle BCD$ ;

$\therefore \angle FDC$  is greater than  $\angle BCD$ ;

much more is  $\angle BDC$  greater than  $\angle BCD$ .

Again,  $\therefore BC = BD,$

$$\therefore \angle BDC = \angle BCD;$$

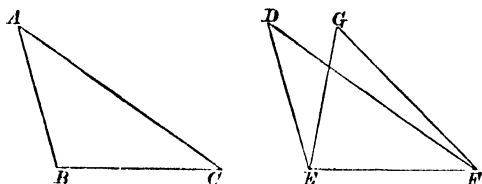
that is,  $\angle BDC$  is both equal to and greater than  $\angle BCD$ ; which is absurd.

Lastly, when the vertex  $D$  of one of the  $\Delta$ s falls on a side  $BC$  of the other, it is plain that  $BC$  and  $BD$  cannot be equal.

Q. E. D.

NOTE 14. *Euclid's Proof of I. 8.*

If two triangles have two sides of the one equal to two sides of the other, each to each, and have likewise their bases equal, the angle which is contained by the two sides of the one must be equal to the angle contained by the two sides of the other.



Let the sides of the  $\triangle s$   $ABC$ ,  $DEF$  be equal, each to each, that is,  $AB=DE$ ,  $AC=DF$  and  $BC=EF$ .

Then must  $\angle BAC = \angle EDF$ .

Apply the  $\triangle ABC$  to the  $\triangle DEF$ .

so that pt.  $B$  is on pt.  $E$ , and  $BC$  on  $EF$ .

Then

$$\therefore BC = EF,$$

$\therefore C$  will coincide with  $F$ ,

and  $AC$  will coincide with  $EF$ .

Then  $AB$  and  $AC$  must coincide with  $DE$  and  $DF$ .

For if  $AB$  and  $AC$  have a different position, as  $GE$ ,  $GF$ , then upon the same base and upon the same side of it there can be two  $\triangle s$ , which have their sides which are terminated in one extremity of the base equal, and their sides which are terminated in the other extremity of the base also equal: which is impossible. I. 7.

$\therefore$  since base  $BC$  coincides with base  $EF$ ,

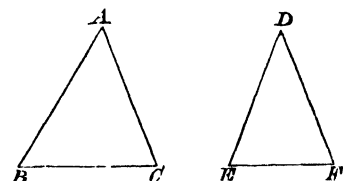
$AB$  must coincide with  $DE$ , and  $AC$  with  $DF$ ;

$\therefore \angle BAC$  coincides with and is equal to  $\angle EDF$ .

NOTE 15. *Another Proof of I. 24.*

In the  $\Delta$ s  $ABC$ ,  $DEF$ , let  $AB=DE$  and  $AC=DF$ , and let  $\angle BAC$  be greater than  $\angle EDF$ .

Then must  $BC$  be greater than  $EF$ .



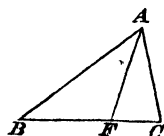
Apply the  $\Delta DEF$  to the  $\Delta ABC$   
so that  $DE$  coincides with  $AB$ .

Then  $\therefore \angle EDF$  is less than  $\angle BAC$ ,  
 $DF$  will fall between  $BA$  and  $AC$ ,  
and  $F$  will fall on, or above, or below,  $BC$ .

I. If  $F$  fall on  $BC$ ,

$BF$  is less than  $BC$ ;

$\therefore EF$  is less than  $BC$ .



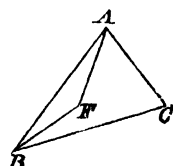
II. If  $F$  fall above  $BC$ ,

$BF$ ,  $FA$  together are less than  
 $BC$ ,  $CA$ ,

and  $FA=CA$ ;

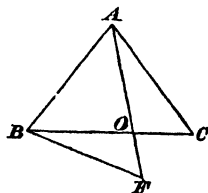
$\therefore BF$  is less than  $BC$ ;

$\therefore EF$  is less than  $BC$ .



III. If  $F$  fall below  $BC$ .

let  $AF$  cut  $BC$  in  $O$ .



Then  $BO$ ,  $OF$  together are greater than  $BF$ ,  
and  $OC$ ,  $AO$ ..... $AC$ ;

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$\therefore BC$ ,  $AF$ ..... $BF$ ,  $AC$  together,  
and  $AF=AC$ ,

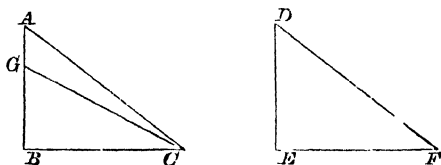
$\therefore BC$  is greater than  $BF$ ;

and  $\therefore EF$  is less than  $BC$ .

Q. E. D.

NOTE 16. *Euclid's Proof of I. 26.*

If two triangles have two angles of the one equal to two angles of the other, each to each, and one side equal to one side, viz., either the sides adjacent to the equal angles, or the sides opposite to equal angles in each; then shall the other sides be equal, each to each; and also the third angle of the one to the third angle of the other.



In  $\Delta s\ ABC, DEF$ ,

Let  $\angle ABC = \angle DEF$ , and  $\angle ACB = \angle DFE$ ;

and first,

Let the sides adjacent to the equal  $\angle s$  in each be equal,  
that is, let  $BC = EF$ .

Then must  $AB = DE$ , and  $AC = DF$ , and  $\angle BAC = \angle EDF$ .

For if  $AB$  be not  $= DE$ , one of them must be the greater.

Let  $AB$  be the greater, and make  $GB = DE$ , and join  $GC$ .

Then in  $\Delta s\ GBC, DEF$ ,

$\because GB = DE$ , and  $BC = EF$ , and  $\angle GBC = \angle DEF$ ,

$\therefore \angle GCB = \angle DFE$ .

I. 4.

But  $\angle ACB = \angle DFE$  by hypothesis;

$\therefore \angle GCB = \angle ACB$ ;

that is, the less = the greater, which is impossible.

$\therefore AB$  is not greater than  $DE$ .

In the same way it may be shewn that  $AB$  is not less than  $DE$ ;

$\therefore AB = DE$ .

Then in  $\Delta s\ ABC, DEF$ ,

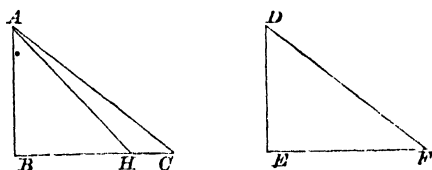
$\because AB = DE$ , and  $BC = EF$ , and  $\angle ABC = \angle DEF$ ,

$\therefore AC = DF$ , and  $\angle BAC = \angle EDF$ .

I. 4.

Next, let the sides which are opposite to equal angles in each triangle be equal, viz.,  $AB=DE$ .

Then must  $AC=DF$ , and  $BC=EF$ , and  $\angle BAC = \angle EDF$ .



For if  $BC$  be not  $=EF$ , let  $BC$  be the greater, and make  $BH=EF$ , and join  $AH$ .

Then in  $\triangle s ABH, DEF$ ,

$\therefore AB=DE$ , and  $BH=EF$ , and  $\angle ABH = \angle DEF$ ,

$\therefore \angle AHB = \angle DFE$ . I. 4.

But  $\angle ACB = \angle DFE$ , by hypothesis,

$\therefore \angle AHB = \angle ACB$ ;

that is, the exterior  $\angle$  of  $\triangle AHC$  is equal to the interior and opposite  $\angle ACB$ , which is impossible.

$\therefore BC$  is not greater than  $EF$ .

In the same way it may be shewn that  $BC$  is not less than  $EF$ ,

$\therefore BC=EF$ .

Then in  $\triangle s ABC, DEF$ ,

$\therefore AB=DE$ , and  $BC=EF$ , and  $\angle ABC = \angle DEF$ ,

$\therefore AC=DF$ , and  $\angle BAC = \angle EDF$ . I. 4.

Q. E. D.



*Miscellaneous Exercises on Books I. and II.*

1.  $AB$  and  $CD$  are equal straight lines, bisecting one another at right angles. Shew that  $ACBD$  is a square.

2. From a point in the side of a parallelogram draw a line dividing the parallelogram into two equal parts.

3. In the triangle  $FDC$ , if  $FCD$  be a right angle, and angle  $FDC$  be double of angle  $CFD$ , shew that  $FD$  is double of  $DC$ .

4. If  $ABC$  be an equilateral triangle, and  $AD$ ,  $BE$  be perpendiculars to the opposite sides intersecting in  $F$ ; shew that the square on  $AB$  is equal to three times the square on  $AF$ .

5. Describe a rhombus, which shall be equal to a given triangle, and have each of its sides equal to one side of the triangle.

6. From a given point, outside a given straight line, draw a line making with the given line an angle equal to a given rectilineal angle.

7. If two straight lines be drawn from two given points to meet in a given straight line, shew that the sum of these lines is the least possible, when they make equal angles with the given line.

8.  $ABCD$  is a parallelogram, whose diagonals  $AC$ ,  $BD$  intersect in  $O$ ; shew that if the parallelograms  $AOBP$ ,  $DOCQ$  be completed, the straight line joining  $P$  and  $Q$  passes through  $O$ .

9.  $ABCD$ ,  $EBCF$  are two parallelograms on the same base  $BC$ , and so situated that  $CF$  passes through  $A$ . Join  $DF$ , and produce it to meet  $BE$  produced in  $K$ ; join  $FB$ , and prove that the triangle  $FAB$  equals the triangle  $FEK$ .

10. The alternate sides of a polygon are produced to meet; shew that all the angles at their points of intersection together with four right angles are equal to all the interior angles of the polygon.

11. Shew that the perimeter of a rectangle is always greater than that of the square equal to the rectangle.

12. Shew that the opposite sides of an equiangular hexagon are parallel, though they be not equal.

13. If two equal straight lines intersect each other anywhere at right angles, shew that the area of the quadrilateral formed by joining their extremities is invariable, and equal to one-half the square on either line.

14. Two triangles  $ACB$ ,  $ADB$  are constructed on the same side of the same base  $AB$ . Shew that if  $AC=BD$  and  $AD=BC$ , then  $CD$  is parallel to  $AB$ ; but if  $AC=BC$  and  $AD=BD$ , then  $CD$  is perpendicular to  $AB$ .

15.  $AB$  is the hypotenuse of a right-angled triangle  $ABC$ : find a point  $D$  in  $AB$ , such that  $DB$  may be equal to the perpendicular from  $D$  on  $AC$ .

16. Find the locus of the vertices of triangles of equal area on the same base, and on the same side of it.

17. Shew that the perimeter of an isosceles triangle is less than that of any triangle of equal area on the same base.

18. If each of the equal angles of an isosceles triangle be equal to one-fourth the vertical angle, and from one of them a perpendicular be drawn to the base, meeting the opposite side produced, then will the part produced, the perpendicular, and the remaining side, form an equilateral triangle.

19. If a straight line terminated by the sides of a triangle be bisected, shew that no other line terminated by the same two sides can be bisected in the same point.

20. Shew how to bisect a given quadrilateral by a straight line drawn from one of its angles.

21. Given the lengths of the two diagonals of a rhombus, construct it.

22.  $ABCD$  is a quadrilateral figure: construct a triangle whose base shall be in the line  $AB$ , such that its altitude shall be equal to a given line, and its area equal to that of the quadrilateral.

23. If from any point in the base of an isosceles triangle perpendiculars be drawn to the sides, their sum will be equal to the perpendicular from either extremity of the base upon the opposite side.

24. If  $ABC$  be a triangle, in which  $C$  is a right angle, and  $DE$  be drawn from a point  $D$  in  $AC$  at right angles to  $AB$ , prove that the rectangles  $AB, AE$  and  $AC, AD$  are equal.

25. A line is drawn bisecting parallelogram  $ABCD$ , and meeting  $AD, BC$  in  $E$  and  $F$ : shew that the triangles  $EBF, CED$  are equal.

26. Upon the hypotenuse  $BC$  and the sides  $CA, AB$  of a right-angled triangle  $ABC$ , squares  $BDEC, AF$  and  $AG$  are described: shew that the squares on  $DG$  and  $EF$  are together equal to five times the square on  $BC$ .

27. If from the vertical angle of a triangle three straight lines be drawn, one bisecting the angle, the second bisecting the base, and the third perpendicular to the base, shew that the first lies, both in position and magnitude, between the other two.

28. If  $ABC$  be a triangle, whose angle  $A$  is a right angle, and  $BE, CF$  be drawn bisecting the opposite sides respectively, shew that four times the sum of the squares on  $BE$  and  $CF$  is equal to five times the square on  $BC$ .

29. Let  $ACB, ADB$  be two right-angled triangles having a common hypotenuse  $AB$ . Join  $CD$  and on  $CD$  produced both ways draw perpendiculars  $AE, BF$ . Shew that the sum of the squares on  $CE$  and  $CF$  is equal to the sum of the squares on  $DE$  and  $DF$ .

30. In the base  $AC$  of a triangle take any point  $D$ : bisect  $AD, DC, AB, BC$  at the points  $E, F, G, H$  respectively. Shew that  $EG$  is equal and parallel to  $FH$ .

31. If  $AD$  be drawn from the vertex of an isosceles triangle  $ABC$  to a point  $D$  in the base, shew that the rectangle  $BD, DC$  is equal to the difference between the squares on  $AB$  and  $AD$ .

32. If in the sides of a square four points be taken at equal distances from the four angular points taken in order, the figure contained by the straight lines, which join them, shall also be a square.

33. If the sides of an equilateral and equiangular pentagon be produced to meet, shew that the sum of the angles at the points of meeting is equal to two right angles.

34. Describe a square that shall be equal to the difference between two given and unequal squares.

35.  $ABCD$ ,  $AECF$  are two parallelograms,  $EA$ ,  $AD$  being in a straight line. Let  $FG$ , drawn parallel to  $AC$ , meet  $BA$  produced in  $G$ . Then the triangle  $ABE$  equals the triangle  $ADG$ .

36. From  $AC$ , the diagonal of a square  $ABCD$ , cut off  $AE$  equal to one-fourth of  $AC$ , and join  $BE$ ,  $DE$ . Shew that the figure  $BADE$  is equal to twice the square on  $AE$ .

37. If  $ABC$  be a triangle, with the angles at  $B$  and  $C$  each double of the angle at  $A$ , prove that the square on  $AB$  is equal to the square on  $BC$  together with the rectangle  $AB$ ,  $BC$ .

38. If two sides of a quadrilateral be parallel, the triangle contained by either of the other sides and the two straight lines drawn from its extremities to the middle point of the opposite side is half the quadrilateral.

39. Describe a parallelogram equal to and equiangular with a given parallelogram, and having a given altitude.

40. If the sides of a triangle taken in order be produced to twice their original lengths, and the outer extremities be joined, the triangle so formed will be seven times the original triangle.

41. If one of the acute angles of a right-angled isosceles triangle be bisected, the opposite side will be divided by the bisecting line into two parts, such that the square on one will be double of the square on the other.

42.  $ABC$  is a triangle, right-angled at  $B$ , and  $BD$  is drawn perpendicular to the base, and is produced to  $E$  until  $ECB$  is a right angle; prove that the square on  $BC$  is equal to the sum of the rectangles  $AD$ ,  $DC$  and  $BD$ ,  $DE$ .

43. Shew that the sum of the squares on two unequal lines is greater than twice the rectangle contained by the lines.

44. From a given isosceles triangle cut off a trapezium, having the base of the triangle for one of its parallel sides, and having the other three sides equal.

45. If any number of parallelograms be constructed having their sides of given length, shew that the sum of the squares on the diagonals of each will be the same.

46.  $ABCD$  is a right-angled parallelogram, and  $AB$  is double of  $BC$ ; on  $AB$  an equilateral triangle is constructed: shew that its area will be less than that of the parallelogram.

47. A point  $O$  is taken within a triangle  $ABC$ , such that the angles  $BOC$ ,  $COA$ ,  $AOB$  are equal; prove that the squares on  $BC$ ,  $CA$ ,  $AB$  are together equal to the rectangles contained by  $OB$ ,  $OC$ ;  $OC$ ,  $OA$ ;  $OA$ ,  $OB$ ; and twice the sum of the squares on  $OA$ ,  $OB$ ,  $OC$ .

48. If the sides of an equilateral and equiangular hexagon be produced to meet, the angles formed by these lines are together equal to four right angles.

49.  $ABC$  is a triangle right-angled at  $A$ ; in the hypotenuse two points  $D$ ,  $E$  are taken such that  $BD=BA$  and  $CE=CA$ ; shew that the square on  $DE$  is equal to twice the rectangle contained by  $BE$ ,  $CD$ .

50. Given one side of a rectangle which is equal in area to a given square, find the other side.

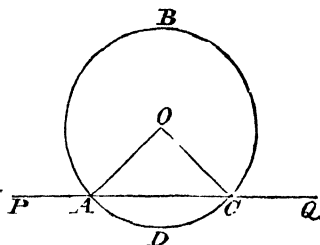
51.  $AB$ ,  $AC$  are the two equal sides of an isosceles triangle; from  $B$ ,  $BD$  is drawn perpendicular to  $AC$ , meeting it in  $D$ ; shew that the square on  $BD$  is greater than the square on  $CD$  by twice the rectangle  $AD$ ,  $CD$ .

## BOOK III.

### POSTULATE.

A POINT is within, or without, a circle, according as its distance from the centre is less, or greater than, the radius of the circle.

DEF. I. A straight line, as  $PQ$ , drawn so as to cut a circle  $ABCD$ , is called a SECANT.

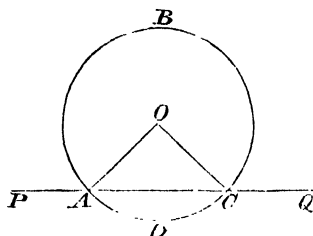


That such a line can only meet the circumference in *two* points may be shewn thus :

Some point within the circle is the centre ; let this be  $O$ . Join  $OA$ . Then (Ex. 1, i. 16) we can draw one, and only one, straight line from  $O$ , to meet the straight line  $PQ$ , such that it shall be equal to  $OA$ . Let this line be  $OC$ . Then  $A$  and  $C$  are the only points in  $PQ$ , which are *on* the circumference of the circle.

DEF. II. The portion  $AC$  of the secant  $PQ$ , intercepted by the circle, is called a **CHORD**.

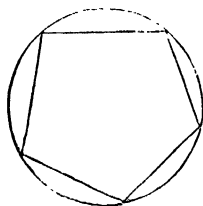
DEF. III. The two portions, into which a chord divides the circumference, as  $ABC$  and  $ADC$ , are called **ARCS**.



DEF. IV. The two figures into which a chord divides the circle, as  $ABC$  and  $ADC$ , that is, the figures, of which the boundaries are respectively the arc  $ABC$  and the chord  $AC$ , and the arc  $ADC$  and the chord  $AC$ , are called **SEGMENTS** of the circle.

DEF. V. The figure  $AOCD$ , whose boundaries are two radii and the arc intercepted by them, is called a **SECTOR**.

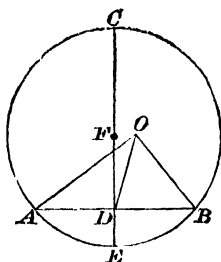
DEF. VI. A circle is said to be *described about* a rectilinear figure, when the circumference passes through each of the angular points of the figure.



And the figure is said to be *inscribed* in the circle.

## PROPOSITION I. THEOREM.

*The line, which bisects a chord of a circle at right angles, must contain the centre.*



Let  $ABC$  be the given  $\odot$ .

Let the st. line  $CE$  bisect the chord  $AB$  at rt. angles in  $D$ .

*Then the centre of the  $\odot$  must lie in  $CE$ .*

For if not, let  $O$ , a pt. out of  $CE$ , be the centre ;  
and join  $OA$ ,  $OD$ ,  $OB$ .

Then, in  $\triangle s$   $ODA$ ,  $ODB$ ,

$\therefore AD = BD$ , and  $DO$  is common, and  $OA = OB$  ;

$\therefore \angle ODA = \angle ODB$  ; I. c.

and  $\therefore \angle ODB$  is a right  $\angle$ . I. Def. 9

But  $\angle CDB$  is a right  $\angle$ , by construction ;

$\therefore \angle ODB = \angle CDB$ , which is impossible ;

$\therefore O$  is not the centre.

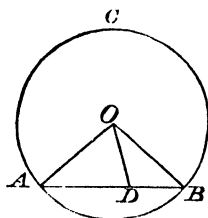
Thus it may be shewn that no point, out of  $CE$ , can be the centre, and  $\therefore$  the centre must lie in  $CE$ .

**COR.** *If the chord  $CE$  be bisected in  $F$ , then  $F$  is the centre of the circle.*



## PROPOSITION II. THEOREM.

*If any two points be taken in the circumference of a circle, the straight line, which joins them, must fall within the circle.*



Let  $A$  and  $B$  be any two pts. in the  $\odot$  of the  $\odot ABC$ .

*Then must the st. line  $AB$  fall within the  $\odot$ .*

Take any pt.  $D$  in the line  $AB$ .

Find  $O$  the centre of the  $\odot$ . III. 1, Cor.

Join  $OA$ ,  $OD$ ,  $OB$ .

Then  $\therefore \angle OAB = \angle OBA$ , I. 4.

and  $\angle ODB$  is greater than  $\angle OAB$ , I. 16.

$\therefore \angle ODB$  is greater than  $\angle OBA$  ;

and  $\therefore OB$  is greater than  $OD$ . I. 19.

$\therefore$  the distance of  $D$  from  $O$  is less than the radius of the  $\odot$ ,

and  $\therefore D$  lies within the  $\odot$ . Post.

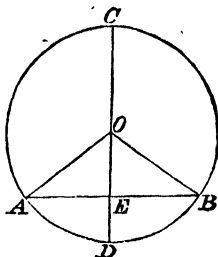
And the same may be shewn of any other pt. in  $AB$ .

$\therefore AB$  lies entirely within the  $\odot$ .

Q. E. D.

## PROPOSITION III. THEOREM.

*If a straight line, drawn through the centre of a circle, bisect a chord of the circle, which does not pass through the centre, it must cut it at right angles : and conversely, if it cut it at right angles, it must bisect it.*



∴ In the  $\odot ABC$ , let the chord  $AB$ , which does not pass through the centre  $O$ , be bisected in  $E$  by the diameter  $CD$ .

*Then must  $CD$  be  $\perp$  to  $AB$ .*

Join  $OA$ ,  $OB$ .

Then in  $\triangle s AEO, BEO$ ,

∴  $AE=BE$ , and  $EO$  is common, and  $OA=OB$ ,

∴  $\angle OEA = \angle OEB$ .

I. c.

Hence  $OE$  is  $\perp$  to  $AB$ ,

I. Def. 9.

that is,  $CD$  is  $\perp$  to  $AB$ .

Next let  $CD$  be  $\perp$  to  $AB$ .

*Then must  $CD$  bisect  $AB$ .*

For ∴  $OA=OB$ , and  $OE$  is common,

in the right-angled  $\triangle s AEO, BEO$ ,

∴  $AE=BE$ ,

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that is,  $CD$  bisects  $AB$ .

Q. E. D.

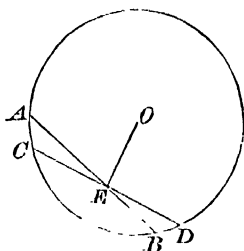
Ex. 1. Shew that, if  $CD$  does not cut  $AB$  at right angles, it cannot bisect it.

Ex. 2. A line, which bisects two parallel chords in a circle, is also perpendicular to them.

Ex. 3. Through a given point within a circle, which is not the centre, draw a chord which shall be bisected in that point.

## PROPOSITION IV. THEOREM.

*If in a circle two chords, which do not both pass through the centre, cut one another, they do not bisect each other.*



Let the chords  $AB$ ,  $CD$ , which do not both pass through the centre, cut one another, in the pt.  $E$ , in the  $\odot ACBD$ .

*Then  $AB$ ,  $CD$  do not bisect each other.*

If one of them pass through the centre, it is plainly not bisected by the other, which does not pass through the centre.

**But if neither pass through the centre, let, if it be possible,  $AE = EB$  and  $CE = ED$ ; find the centre  $O$ , and join  $OE$ .**

Then  $\because OE$ , passing through the centre, bisects  $AB$ ,

$\therefore \angle OEA$  is a rt.  $\angle$ . III. 3.

And  $\because OE$ , passing through the centre, bisects  $CD$ ,

$\therefore \angle OEC$  is a rt.  $\angle$ ; III. 3.

$\therefore \angle OEA = \angle OEC$ , which is impossible;

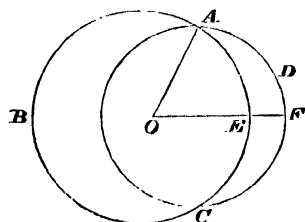
$\therefore AB$ ,  $CD$  do not bisect each other. Q. E. D.

Ex. 1. Shew that the locus of the points of bisection of all parallel chords of a circle is a straight line.

Ex. 2. Shew that no parallelogram, except those which are rectangular, can be inscribed in a circle.

## PROPOSITION V. THEOREM.

*If two circles cut one another, they cannot have the same centre.*



If it be possible, let  $O$  be the common centre of the  $\odot$ s  $ABC$ ,  $ADC$ , which cut one another in the pts.  $A$  and  $C$ .

- Join  $OA$ , and draw  $OEF$  meeting the  $\odot$ s in  $E$  and  $F$ .

Then  $\because O$  is the centre of  $\odot ABC$ ,

$$\therefore OE = OA ; \quad \text{I. Def. 13.}$$

and  $\because O$  is the centre of  $\odot ADC$ ,

$$\therefore OF = OA ; \quad \text{1. Def. 13.}$$

$$\therefore OE = OF, \text{ which is impossible ;}$$

$$\therefore O \text{ is not the common centre.}$$

Q. E. D.

**Ex.** If two circles cut one another, shew that a line drawn through a point of intersection, terminated by the circumferences and parallel to the line joining the centres, is double of the line joining the centres.

**NOTE.** Circles which have the same centre are called *Concentric*.

NOTE 1. *On the Contact of Circles.*

DEF. VII. Circles are said to touch each other, which meet but do not cut each other.

One circle is said to touch another *internally*, when one point of the circumference of the former lies *on*, and no point *without*, the circumference of the other.

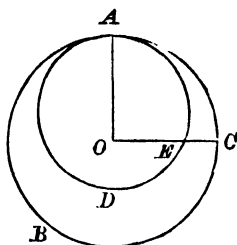
Hence for internal contact one circle must be smaller than the other.

Two circles are said to touch *externally*, when one point of the circumference of the one lies *on*, and no point *within* the circumference of the other.

*N.B.* No restriction is placed by these definitions on the number of points of contact, and it is not till we reach Prop. XVI. that we prove that there can be *but one point of contact*. . .

## PROPOSITION VI. THEOREM.

*If one circle touch another internally, they cannot have the same centre.*



Let  $\odot ADE$  touch  $\odot ABC$  internally,  
and let  $A$  be a point of contact.

Then *some* point  $E$  in the  $\odot$ ce  $ADE$  lies *within*  $\odot ABC$ .

Def. 7.

If it be possible, let  $O$  be the common centre of the two  $\odot$ s.  
Join  $OA$ , and draw  $OEC$ , meeting the  $\odot$ ces in  $E$  and  $C$ .

Then  $\because O$  is the the centre of  $\odot ABC$ ,

$$\therefore OA = OC; \quad \text{I. Def. 13.}$$

and  $\because O$  is the centre of  $\odot ADE$ ,

$$\therefore OA = OE. \quad \text{I. Def. 13.}$$

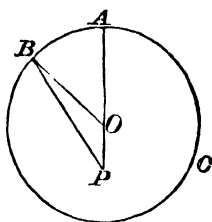
Hence  $OE = OC$ , which is impossible ;

$\therefore O$  is not the common centre of the two  $\odot$ s.

Q. E. D.

## PROPOSITION VII. THEOREM.

*If from any point within a circle, which is not the centre, straight lines be drawn to the circumference, the greatest of these lines is that which passes through the centre.*



Let  $ABC$  be a  $\odot$ , of which  $O$  is the centre.

From  $P$ , any pt. within the  $\odot$ , draw the st. line  $PA$ , passing through  $O$  and meeting the  $\odot$  in  $A$ .

*Then must  $PA$  be greater than any other st. line, drawn from  $P$  to the  $\odot$ .*

For let  $PB$  be any other st. line, drawn from  $P$  to meet the  $\odot$  in  $B$ , and join  $BO$ .

Then  $\because AO = BO$ ,

$\therefore AP = \text{sum of } BO \text{ and } OP$ .

But the sum of  $BO$  and  $OP$  is greater than  $BP$ , I. 20.

and  $\therefore AP$  is greater than  $BP$ .

Q. E. D.

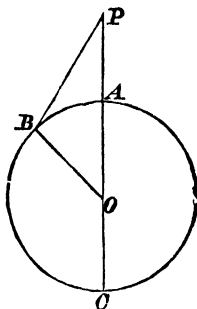
Ex. 1. If  $AP$  be produced to meet the circumference in  $D$ , shew that  $PD$  is less than any other straight line that can be drawn from  $P$  to the circumference.

Ex. 2. Shew that  $PB$  continually decreases, as  $B$  passes from  $A$  to  $D$ .

Ex. 3. Shew that two straight lines, but not three, that shall be equal, can be drawn from  $P$  to the circumference.

## PROPOSITION VIII. THEOREM.

If from any point without a circle straight lines be drawn to the circumference, the least of these lines is that which, when produced, passes through the centre, and the greatest is that which passes through the centre.



Let  $ABC$  be a  $\odot$ , of which  $O$  is the centre.

From  $P$  any pt. outside the  $\odot$ , draw the st. line  $PAOC$ , meeting the  $\odot$  in  $A$  and  $C$ .

Then must  $PA$  be less, and  $PC$  greater, than any other st. line drawn from  $P$  to the  $\odot$ .

For let  $PB$  be any other st. line drawn from  $P$  to meet the  $\odot$  in  $B$ , and join  $BO$ .

Then  $\therefore$  sum of  $PB$  and  $BO$  is greater than  $OP$ , I. 20.

$\therefore$  sum of  $PB$  and  $BO$  is greater than sum of  $AP$  and  $AO$ .

But  $BO = AO$ ;

$\therefore PB$  is greater than  $AP$ .

Again  $\therefore PB$  is less than the sum of  $PO$ ,  $OB$ , I. 20.

$\therefore PB$  is less than the sum of  $PO$ ,  $OC$ ;

$\therefore PB$  is less than  $PC$ .

Q. E. D.

Ex. 1. Shew that  $PB$  continually increases as  $B$  passes from  $A$  to  $C$ .

Ex. 2. Shew that from  $P$  two straight lines, but not three, that shall be equal, can be drawn to the circumference.

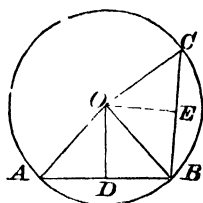
NOTE. From Props. VII. and VIII. we deduce the following Corollary, which we shall use in the proof of Props. XI. and XIII.

COR. If  $c$  point be taken, within or without a circle, of all straight lines drawn from it to the circumference, the greatest is that which meets the circumference after passing through the centre



## PROPOSITION IX. THEOREM.

*If a point be taken within a circle, from which there fall more than two equal straight lines to the circumference, that point is the centre of the circle.*



Let  $O$  be a pt. in the  $\odot ABC$  from which more than two st. lines  $OA, OB, OC$ , drawn to the  $\odot$ ce, are equal.

*Then must  $O$  be the centre of the  $\odot$ .*

Join  $AB, BC$ , and draw  $OD, OE \perp$  to  $AB, BC$ .

Then  $\because OA = OB$ , and  $OD$  is common,

in the right-angled  $\triangle$ s  $AOD, BOD$ ,

$$\therefore AD = DB;$$

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$\therefore$  the centre of the  $\odot$  is in  $DO$ .

III. 1.

Similarly it may be shown that

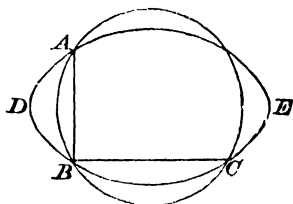
the centre of the  $\odot$  is  $EO$ ;

$\therefore O$  is the centre of the  $\odot$ .

**Q. E. D.**

## PROPOSITION X. THEOREM.

*Two circles cannot have more than two points common to both, without coinciding entirely.*



If it be possible, let  $ABC$  and  $ADE$  be two  $\odot$ s which have more than two pts. in common, as  $A, B, C$ .

Join  $AB, BC$ .

Then  $\because AB$  is a chord of each circle,

$\therefore$  the centre of each circle lies in the straight line, which bisects  $AB$  at right angles ; III. 1.

and  $\because BC$  is a chord of each circle,

$\therefore$  the centre of each circle lies in the straight line, which bisects  $BC$  at right angles. III. 1.

$\therefore$  the centre of each circle is the point, in which the two straight lines, which bisect  $AB$  and  $BC$  at right angles, meet.

$\therefore$  the  $\odot$ s  $ABC, ADE$  have a common centre, which is impossible ; III. 5 and 6.

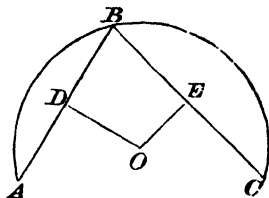
$\therefore$  two  $\odot$ s cannot have more than two pts. common to both.

Q. E. D.

NOTE. We here insert two Propositions, Eucl. III. 25 and IV. 5, which are closely connected with Theorems I. and X. of this book. The learner should compare with this portion of the subject the note on Loci, p. 103.

## PROPOSITION A. PROBLEM. (Eucl. III. 25.)

*An arc of a circle being given, to complete the circle of which it is a part.*



Let  $ABC$  be the given arc.

*It is required to complete the  $\odot$  of which  $ABC$  is a part.*

Take  $B$ , any pt. in arc  $ABC$ , and join  $AB$ ,  $BC$ .

From  $D$  and  $E$ , the middle pts. of  $AB$  and  $BC$ ,

draw  $DO$ ,  $EO$ ,  $\perp$ s to  $AB$ ,  $BC$ , meeting in  $O$ .

Then  $\because AB$  is to be a chord of the  $\odot$ ,

$\therefore$  centre of the  $\odot$  lies in  $DO$ ; III. 1.

and  $\because BC$  is to be a chord of the  $\odot$ ,

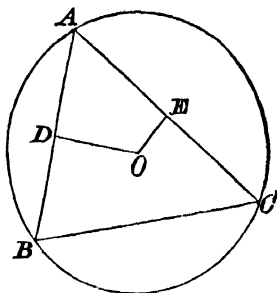
$\therefore$  centre of the  $\odot$  lies in  $EO$ . III. 1.

Hence  $O$  is the centre of the  $\odot$  of which  $ABC$  is an arc, and if a  $\odot$  be described, with centre  $O$  and radius  $OA$ , this will be the  $\odot$  required.

Q. E. F.

PROPOSITION B. PROBLEM. (Eucl. iv. 5.)

*To describe a circle about a given triangle.*



Let  $ABC$  be the given  $\Delta$ .

*It is required to describe a  $\odot$  about the  $\Delta$ .*

From  $D$  and  $E$ , the middle pts. of  $AB$  and  $AC$ , draw  $DO$ ,  $EO$ ,  $\perp$ s to  $AB$ ,  $AC$ , and let them meet in  $O$ .

Then  $\because AB$  is to be a chord of the  $\odot$ ,

$\therefore$  centre of the  $\odot$  lies in  $DO$ . III. 1.

And  $\because AC$  is to be a chord of the  $\odot$ ,

$\therefore$  centre of the  $\odot$  lies in  $EO$ . III. 1.

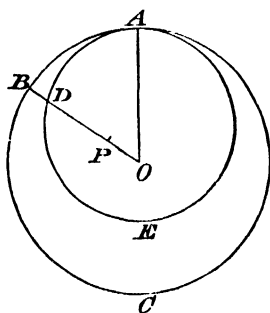
Hence  $O$  is the centre of the  $\odot$  which can be described about the  $\Delta$ , and if a  $\odot$  be described with centre  $O$  and radius  $OA$ , this will be the  $\odot$  required.

Q. E. F.

Ex. If  $BAC$  be a right angle, show that  $O$  will coincide with the middle point of  $BC$ .

## PROPOSITION XI. THEOREM.

*If one circle touch another internally at any point, the centre of the interior circle must lie in that radius of the other circle which passes through that point of contact.*



Let the  $\odot ADE$  touch the  $\odot ABC$  internally, and let  $A$  be a pt. of contact.

Find  $O$  the centre of  $\odot ABC$ , and join  $OA$ .

*Then must the centre of  $\odot ADE$  lie in the radius  $OA$ .*

For if not, let  $P$  be the centre of  $\odot ADE$ .

Join  $OP$ , and produce it to meet the  $\odot$ es in  $D$  and  $B$ .

Then  $\because P$  is the centre of  $\odot ADE$ , and from  $O$  are drawn to the  $\odot$ e of  $ADE$  the st. lines  $OA$ ,  $OD$ , of which  $OD$  passes through  $P$ ,

$\therefore OD$  is greater than  $OA$ . III. 8, Cor.

But  $OA = OB$ ,

$\therefore OD$  is greater than  $OB$ ,

which is impossible. '

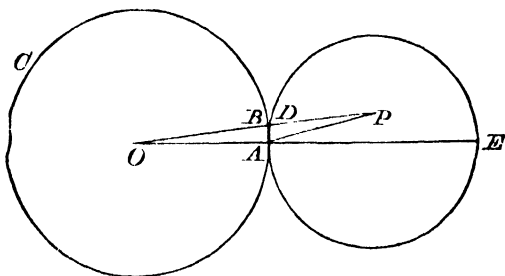
$\therefore$  the centre of  $\odot ADE$  is not out of the radius  $OA$ .

$\therefore$  it lies in  $OA$ .

Q. E. D.

## PROPOSITION XII. THEOREM.

*If two circles touch one another externally at any point, the straight line joining the centre of one with that point of contact must when produced pass through the centre of the other.*



Let  $\odot ABC$  touch  $\odot ADE$  externally at the pt.  $A$ .

Let  $O$  be the centre of  $\odot ABC$ .

Join  $OA$ , and produce it to  $E$ .

*Then must the centre of  $\odot ADE$  lie in  $AE$ .*

For if not, let  $P$  be the centre of  $\odot ADE$ .

Join  $OP$  meeting the  $\odot$ s in  $B, D$ ; and join  $AP$ .

Then  $\because OB = OA$ ,

and  $PD = AP$ ,

$\therefore OB$  and  $PD$  together  $= OA$  and  $AP$  together;

$\therefore OP$  is not less than  $OA$  and  $AP$  together.

But  $OP$  is less than  $OA$  and  $AP$  together, I. 20.

which is impossible;

$\therefore$  the centre of  $\odot ADE$  cannot lie out of  $AE$ .

Q. E. D.

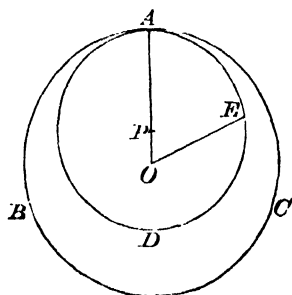
Ex. Three circles touch one another externally, whose centres are  $A, B, C$ . Shew that the difference between  $AB$  and  $AC$  is half as great as the difference between the diameters of the circles, whose centres are  $B$  and  $C$ .

## PROPOSITION XIII. THEOREM.

*One circle cannot touch another at more points than one, whether it touch it internally or externally*

First let the  $\odot ADE$  touch the  $\odot ABC$  internally at pt.  $A$ .

*Then there can be no other point of contact.*



Take  $O$  the centre of  $\odot ABC$

Then  $P$ , the centre of  $\odot ADE$ , lies in  $OA$ . III. 11.

Take any pt.  $E$  in the  $\odot$ ce of the  $\odot ADE$ , and join  $OE$ .

Then  $\therefore$  from  $O$ , a pt. within or without the  $\odot ADE$ , two lines  $OA$ ,  $OE$  are drawn to the  $\odot$ ce, of which  $OA$  passes through the centre  $P$ ,

$\therefore OA$  is greater than  $OE$ , III. 8, Cor.

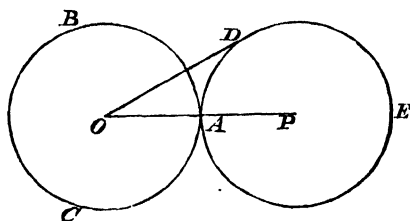
and  $\therefore E$  is a point *within* the  $\odot ABC$ . Post.

Similarly it may be shewn that every pt. of the  $\odot$ ce of the  $\odot ADE$ , except  $A$ , lies *within* the  $\odot ABC$ ;

$\therefore A$  is the only point at which the  $\odot$ s meet.

Next, let the  $\odot$ s  $ABC$ ,  $ADE$  touch *externally* at the pt.  $A$ .

*Then there can be no other point of contact.*



Take  $O$  the centre of the  $\odot ABC$ .

Then  $P$ , the centre of the  $\odot ADE$ , lies in  $OA$  produced.

III. 12.

Take any pt.  $D$  in the  $\odot$ ce of the  $\odot ADE$ , and join  $OD$ .

Then  $\therefore$  from  $O$ , a pt. without the  $\odot ADE$ , two lines  $OA$ ,  $OD$  are drawn to the  $\odot$ ce, of which  $OA$  when produced passes through the centre  $P$ ,

$\therefore OD$  is greater than  $OA$ ;

III. 8.

$\therefore D$  is a point *without* the  $\odot ABC$ .

Post.

Similarly, it may be shewn that every pt. of the  $\odot$ ce of  $ADE$ , except  $A$ , lies *without* the  $\odot ABC$ ;

$\therefore A$  is the only point at which the  $\odot$ s meet.

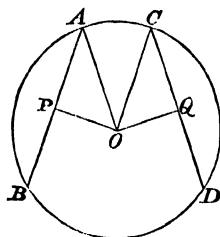
Q. E. D.

DEF. VIII. The **DISTANCE** of a chord from the centre is measured by the length of the perpendicular drawn from the centre to the chord.



## PROPOSITION XIV. THEOREM.

*Equal chords in a circle are equally distant from the centre ; and conversely, those which are equally distant from the centre, are equal to one another.*



Let the chords  $AB$ ,  $CD$  in the  $\odot ABDC$  be equal.

*Then must  $AB$  and  $CD$  be equally distant from the centre  $O$ .*

Draw  $OP$  and  $OQ \perp$  to  $AB$  and  $CD$  ; and join  $AO$ ,  $CO$ .

Then  $P$  and  $Q$  are the middle pts. of  $AB$  and  $CD$  : III. 3.

and  $\therefore AB = CD$ ,  $\therefore AP = CQ$ .

Then  $\therefore AP = CQ$ , and  $AO = CO$ ,

in the right-angled  $\triangle$ s  $AOP$ ,  $COQ$ ,

$\therefore OP = OQ$  ;

I. E. Cor. p. 43.

and  $\therefore AB$  and  $CD$  are equally distant from  $O$ . Def. 8.

Next, let  $AB$  and  $CD$  be equally distant from  $O$ .

*Then must  $AB = CD$ .*

For  $\therefore OP = OQ$ , and  $AO = CO$ ,

in the right-angled  $\triangle$ s  $AOP$ ,  $COQ$ ,

$\therefore AP = CQ$ ,

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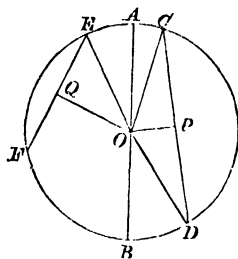
and  $\therefore AB = CD$ .

Q. E. D.

**Ex.** In a circle, whose diameter is 10 inches, a chord is drawn, which is 8 inches long. If another chord be drawn, at a distance of 3 inches from the centre, shew whether it is equal or not to the former.

## PROPOSITION XV. THEOREM.

*The diameter is the greatest chord in a circle, and of all others that which is nearer to the centre is always greater than one more remote; and the greater is nearer to the centre than the less.*



Let  $AB$  be a diameter of the  $\odot ABDC$ , whose centre is  $O$ , and let  $CD$  be any other chord, not a diameter, in the  $\odot$ , nearer to the centre than the chord  $EF$ .

*Then must  $AB$  be greater than  $CD$ , and  $CD$  greater than  $EF$ .*

Draw  $OP$ ,  $OQ \perp$  to  $CD$  and  $EF$ ; and join  $OC$ ,  $OD$ ,  $OE$ .

Then  $\because AO=CO$ , and  $OB=OD$ , I. Def. 13.

$\therefore AB = \text{sum of } CO \text{ and } OD$ ,

and  $\therefore AB$  is greater than  $CD$ . I. 20.

Again,  $\because CD$  is nearer to the centre than  $EF$ ,

$\therefore OP$  is less than  $OQ$ . Def. 8.

Now  $\because \text{sq. on } OC = \text{sq. on } OE$ ,

$\therefore \text{sum of sqq. on } OP, PC = \text{sum of sqq. on } OQ, QE$ . I. 47.

But sq. on  $OP$  is less than sq. on  $OQ$ ;

$\therefore \text{sq. on } PC$  is greater than sq. on  $QE$ ;

$\therefore PC$  is greater than  $QE$ ;

and  $\therefore CD$  is greater than  $EF$ .

Next, let  $CD$  be greater than  $EF$ .

*Then must  $CD$  be nearer to the centre than  $EF$ .*

For  $\because CD$  is greater than  $EF$ ,

$\therefore PC$  is greater than  $QE$ .

Now the sum of sqq. on  $OP$ ,  $PC$  = sum of sqq. on  $OQ$ ,  $QE$ .

But sq. on  $PC$  is greater than sq. on  $QE$ ;

$\therefore$  sq. on  $OP$  is less than sq. on  $OQ$ ;

$\therefore OP$  is less than  $OQ$ ;

and  $\therefore CD$  is nearer to the centre than  $EF$ .

Q. E. D.

Ex. 1. Draw a chord of given length in a given circle, which shall be bisected by a given chord.

Ex. 2. If two isosceles triangles be of equal altitude, and the sides of one be equal to the sides of the other, shew that their bases must be equal.

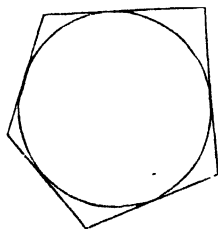
Ex. 3. Any two chords of a circle, which cut a diameter in the same point and at equal angles, are equal to one another.

DEF. IX. A straight line is said to be a **TANGENT** to, or to *touch*, a circle, when it meets and, being produced, does not cut the circle.

From this definition it follows that the tangent meets the circle in one point only, for if it met the circle in two points it would cut the circle, since the line joining two points in the circumference is, being produced, a secant. (III. 2.)

DEF. X. If from any point in a circle a line be drawn at right angles to the tangent at that point, the line is called a **NORMAL** to the circle at that point.

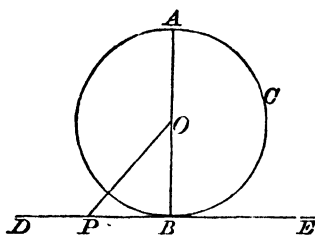
DEF. XI. A rectilinear figure is said to be *described about* a circle, when each side of the figure touches the circle.



And the circle is said to be *inscribed* in the figure.

## PROPOSITION XVI. THEOREM.

*The straight line drawn at right angles to the diameter of a circle, from the extremity of it, is a tangent to the circle.*



Let  $ABC$  be a  $\odot$ , of which the centre is  $O$ , and the diameter  $AOB$ .

Through  $B$  draw  $DE$  at right angles to  $AOB$ . I. 11.

*Then must  $DE$  be a tangent to the  $\odot$ .*

Take any point  $P$  in  $DE$ , and join  $OP$ .

Then,  $\because \angle OBP$  is a right angle,

$\therefore \angle OPB$  is less than a right angle, I. 17.

and  $\therefore OP$  is greater than  $OB$ . I. 19.

Hence  $P$  is a point without the  $\odot ABC$ . Post.

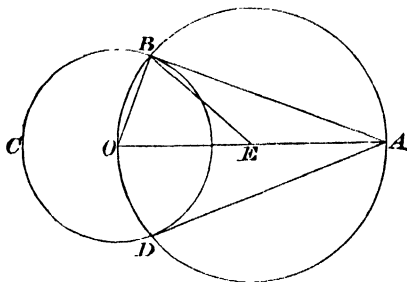
In the same way it may be shewn that every point in  $DE$ , or  $DE$  produced in either direction, except the point  $B$ , lies without the  $\odot$ ;

$\therefore DE$  is a tangent to the  $\odot$ . Def. 9.

Q. E. D.

## PROPOSITION XVII. PROBLEM.

To draw a straight line from a given point, either WITHOUT or ON the circumference, which shall touch a given circle.



Let  $A$  be the given pt., without the  $\odot BCD$ .

Take  $O$  the centre of  $\odot BCD$ , and join  $OA$ .

Bisect  $OA$  in  $E$ , and with centre  $E$  and radius  $EO$  describe  $\odot ABOD$ , cutting the given  $\odot$  in  $B$  and  $D$ .

Join  $AB, AD$ . These are tangents to the  $\odot BCD$ .

Join  $BO, BE$ .

Then  $\because OE = BE, \therefore \angle OBE = \angle BOE$ ; I. A.

$\therefore \angle AEB = \text{twice } \angle OBE$ ; I. 32.

and  $\because AE = BE, \therefore \angle ABE = \angle BAE$ ; I. A.

$\therefore \angle OEB = \text{twice } \angle ABE$ ; I. 32.

$\therefore$  sum of  $\angle s AEB, OEB = \text{twice sum of } \angle s OBE, ABE$ ,  
that is, two right angles = twice  $\angle OBA$ ;

$\therefore \angle OBA$  is a right angle,

and  $\therefore AB$  is a tangent to the  $\odot BCD$ . III. 16.

Similarly it may be shewn that  $AD$  is a tangent to  $\odot BCD$ .

Next, let the given pt. be on the  $\odot$  of the  $\odot$ , as  $B$ .

Then, if  $BA$  be drawn  $\perp$  to the radius  $OB$ ,

$BA$  is a tangent to the  $\odot$  at  $B$ . III. 16.

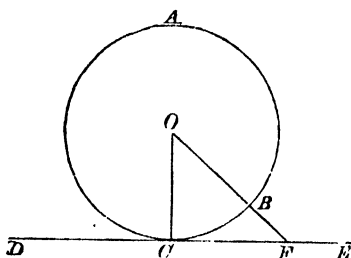
Q. E. D.

Ex. 1. Shew that the two tangents, drawn from a point without the circumference to a circle, are equal.

Ex. 2. If a quadrilateral  $ABCD$  be described about a circle, shew that the sum of  $AB$  and  $CD$  is equal to the sum of  $AD$  and  $BC$ .

## PROPOSITION XVIII. THEOREM.

*If a straight line touch a circle, the straight line drawn from the centre to the point of contact must be perpendicular to the line touching the circle.*



Let the st. line  $DE$  touch the  $\odot ABC$  in the pt.  $C$ .

Find  $O$  the centre, and join  $OC$ .

*Then must  $OC$  be  $\perp$  to  $DE$ .*

For if it be not, draw  $OFF' \perp$  to  $DE$ , meeting the  $\odot$  in  $B$ .

Then  $\therefore \angle OFC$  is a rt. angle,

$\therefore \angle OCF$  is less than a rt. angle, I. 17.

and  $\therefore OC$  is greater than  $OF$ . I. 19.

But  $OC = OB$ ,

$\therefore OB$  is greater than  $OF$ , which is impossible;

$\therefore OF$  is not  $\perp$  to  $DE$ , and in the same way it may be shewn that no other line drawn from  $O$ , but  $OC$ , is  $\perp$  to  $DE$ ;

$\therefore OC$  is  $\perp$  to  $DE$ .

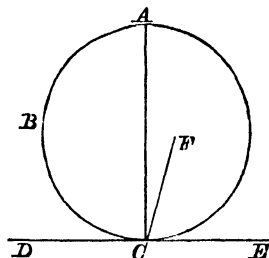
Q. E. D.

EX. If two straight lines intersect, the centres of all circles touched by both lines lie in two lines at right angles to each other.

NOTE. Prop. XVIII. might be stated thus :—*All radii of a circle are normals to the circle at the points where they meet the circumference.*

## PROPOSITION XIX. THEOREM.

*If a straight line touch a circle, and from the point of contact a straight line be drawn at right angles to the touching line, the centre of the circle must be in that line.*



Let the st. line  $DE$  touch the  $\odot ABC$  at the pt.  $C$ , and from  $C$  let  $CA$  be drawn  $\perp$  to  $DE$ .

*Then must the centre of the  $\odot$  be in  $CA$ .*

For if not, let  $F$  be the centre, and join  $FC$ .

Then  $\because DCE$  touches the  $\odot$ , and  $FC$  is drawn from centre to pt. of contact,

$\therefore \angle FCE$  is a rt. angle. III. 18.

But  $\angle ACE$  is a rt. angle.

$\therefore \angle FCE = \angle ACE$ , which is impossible.

In the same way it may be shewn that no pt. out of  $CA$  can be the centre of the  $\odot$ ;

$\therefore$  the centre of the  $\odot$  lies in  $CA$ .

Q. E. D.

**Ex.** Two concentric circles being described, if a chord of the greater touch the less, the parts of the chord, intercepted between the two circles, are equal.

**NOTE.** Prop. XIX. might be stated thus:—*Every normal to a circle passes through the centre.*

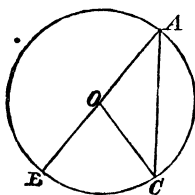
## PROPOSITION XX. THEOREM.

*The angle at the centre of a circle is double of the angle at the circumference, subtended by the same arc.*

Let  $ABC$  be a  $\odot$ ,  $O$  the centre,  
 $BC$  any arc,  $A$  any pt. in the  $\odot$ ce.

*Then must  $\angle BOC = \text{twice } \angle BAC$ .*

First, suppose  $O$  to be in one of the lines containing the  $\angle BAC$ .



Then  $\because OA = OC$ ,

$\therefore \angle OCA = \angle OAC$ ; I. 1.

$\therefore$  sum of  $\angle$ s  $OCA, OAC = \text{twice } \angle OAC$ .

But  $\angle BOC = \text{sum of } \angle$ s  $OAC, OAC$ , I. 32.

$\therefore \angle BOC = \text{twice } \angle OAC$ .

that is,  $\angle BOC = \text{twice } \angle BAC$ .



Next, suppose  $O$  to be within (fig 1), or without (fig. 2) the  $\angle BAC$ .

Fig 1.

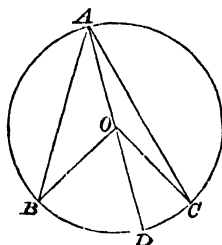
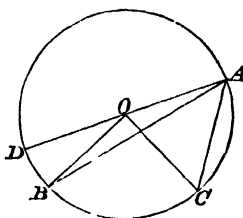


Fig 2



Join  $AO$ , and produce it to meet the  $\bigcirc$ ce in  $D$ .

Then, as in the first case,

$$\angle COD = \text{twice } \angle CAD,$$

$$\text{and } \angle BOD = \text{twice } \angle BAD;$$

$\therefore$ , fig. 1, sum of  $\angle$  s  $COD$ ,  $BOD$  = twice sum of  $\angle$  s  $CAD$ ,  $BAD$ ,

$$\text{that is, } \angle BOC = \text{twice } \angle BAC.$$

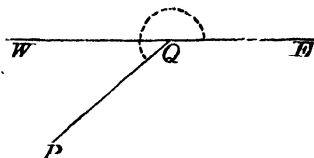
And, fig. 2, difference of  $\angle$  s  $COD$ ,  $BOD$  = twice difference of  $\angle$  s  $CAD$ ,  $BAD$ , that is,  $\angle BOC = \text{twice } \angle BAC$ .

Q. E. D

**Ex.** From any point in a straight line, touching a circle, a straight line is drawn through the centre, and is terminated by the circumference; the angle between these two straight lines is bisected by a straight line, which intersects the straight line joining their extremities. Shew that the angle between the last two lines is half a right angle.

NOTE 2. *On Flat and Reflex Angles.*

We have already explained (Note 3, Book I., p. 28) how Euclid's definition of an angle may be extended with advantage, so as to include the conception of an angle equal to two right angles: and we now proceed to shew how the Definition given in that Note may be extended, so as to embrace angles greater than two right angles.



Let  $WQ$  be a straight line, and  $QE$  its continuation.

Then, by the Definition, the angle made by  $WQ$  and  $QE$ , which we propose to call a **FLAT ANGLE**, is equal to two right angles.

Now suppose  $QP$  to be a straight line, which revolves about the fixed point  $Q$ , and which at first coincides with  $QE$ .

When  $QP$ , revolving from right to left, coincides with  $QW$ , it has described an angle equal to two right angles.

When  $QP$  has continued its revolution, so as to come into the position indicated in the diagram, it has described an angle  $EQP$ , indicated by the dotted line, greater than two right angles, and this we call a **REFLEX ANGLE**.

To assist the learner, we shall mark these angles with dotted lines in the diagrams.

Admitting the existence of angles, equal to and greater than two right angles, the Proposition last proved may be extended, as we now proceed to shew.

## PROPOSITION C. THEOREM.

*The angle, not less than two right angles, at the centre of a circle is double of the angle at the circumference, subtended by the same arc.*

Fig. 1.

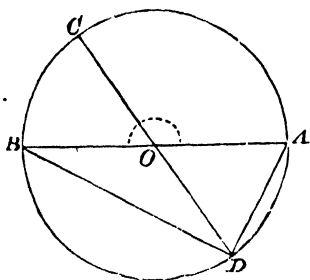
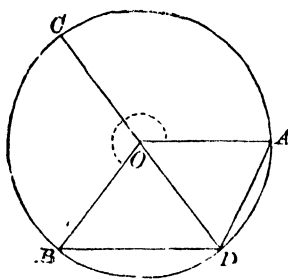


Fig. 2.



In the  $\odot ACBD$ , let the angles  $AOB$  (not less than two right angles) at the centre, and  $ADB$  at the circumference, be subtended by the same arc  $ACB$ .

*Then must  $\angle AOB = \text{twice } \angle ADB$ .*

Join  $DO$ , and produce it to meet the arc  $ACB$  in  $E$ .

Then  $\because \angle AOE = \text{twice } \angle ADE$ , III. 20.

and  $\angle BOE = \text{twice } \angle BDE$ , III. 20.

$\therefore$  sum of  $\angle s AOE, BOE = \text{twice sum of } \angle s ADE, BDE$ ,

that is,  $\angle AOB = \text{twice } \angle ADB$ .

Q. E. D.

NOTE. In fig. 1,  $\angle AOB$  is drawn a flat angle,  
and in fig. 2,  $\angle AOB$  is drawn a reflex angle.

DEF. XII. The angle in a segment is the angle contained by two straight lines drawn from any point in the arc to the extremities of the chord.

## PROPOSITION XXI. THEOREM.

*The angles in the same segment of a circle are equal to one another.*

Fig. 1.

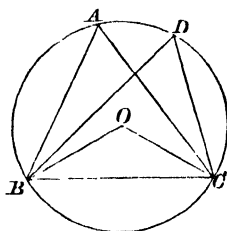
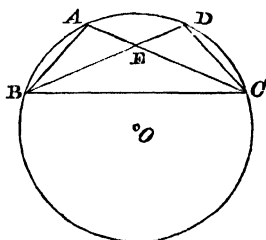


Fig. 2.



Let  $BAC$ ,  $BDC$  be angles in the same segment  $BADC$ .

*Then must  $\angle BAC = \angle BDC$ .*

First, when segment  $BADC$  is greater than a semicircle,

From  $O$ , the centre, draw  $OB$ ,  $OC$ . (Fig. 1.)

Then,  $\therefore \angle BOC = \text{twice } \angle BAC$ , III. 20.

and  $\angle BOC = \text{twice } \angle BDC$ , III. 20.

$\therefore \angle BAC = \angle BDC$ .

Next, when segment  $BADC$  is less than a semicircle,

Let  $E$  be the pt. of intersection of  $AC$ ,  $DB$ . (Fig. 2.)

Then  $\therefore \angle ABE = \angle DCE$ , by the first case,

and  $\angle BEA = \angle CED$ , I. 15.

$\therefore \angle EAB = \angle EDC$ , I. 32.

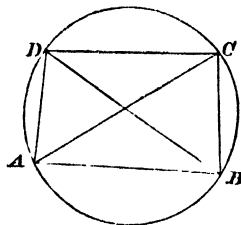
that is,  $\angle BAC = \angle BDC$ . Q. E. D.

Ex. 1. Shew that, by assuming the possibility of an angle being greater than two right angles, both the cases of this proposition may be included in one.

Ex. 2. If two straight lines, whose extremities are in the circumference of a circle, cut one another, the triangles formed by joining their extremities are equiangular to each other.

## PROPOSITION XXII. THEOREM.

*The opposite angles of any quadrilateral figure, inscribed in a circle, are together equal to two right angles.*



Let  $ABCD$  be a quadrilateral fig. inscribed in a  $\odot$ .

*Then must each pair of its opposite  $\angle$ s be together equal to two rt.  $\angle$ s.*

Draw the diagonals  $AC$ ,  $BD$ .

Then  $\therefore \angle ADB = \angle ACB$ , in the same segment, III. 21.

and  $\angle BDC = \angle BAC$ , in the same segment ; III. 21.

$\therefore$  sum of  $\angle$ s  $ADB$ ,  $BDC$  = sum of  $\angle$ s  $ACB$ ,  $BAC$  ;

that is,  $\angle ADC$  = sum of  $\angle$ s  $ACB$ ,  $BAC$ .

Add to each  $\angle ABC$ .

Then  $\angle$ s  $ADC$ ,  $ABC$  together = sum of  $\angle$ s  $ACB$ ,  $BAC$ ,  $ABC$  ;

and  $\therefore \angle$ s  $ADC$ ,  $ABC$  together = two right  $\angle$ s. I. 32.

Similarly, it may be shewn,

that  $\angle$ s  $BAD$ ,  $BCD$  together = two right  $\angle$ s.

Q. E. D.

NOTE.—Another method of proving this proposition is given on page 177.

Ex. 1. If one side of a quadrilateral figure inscribed in a circle be produced, the exterior angle is equal to the opposite angle of the quadrilateral.

Ex. 2. If the sides  $AB$ ,  $DC$  of a quadrilateral inscribed in a circle be produced to meet in  $E$ , then the triangles  $EBC$ ,  $EAD$  will be equiangular.

Ex. 3. Shew that a circle cannot be described about a rhombus.

Ex. 4. The lines, bisecting any angle of a quadrilateral figure inscribed in a circle and the opposite exterior angle, meet in the circumference of the circle.

Ex. 5.  $AB$ , a chord of a circle, is the base of an isosceles triangle, whose vertex  $C$  is without the circle, and whose equal sides meet the circle in  $D$ ,  $E$ : shew that  $CD$  is equal to  $CE$ .

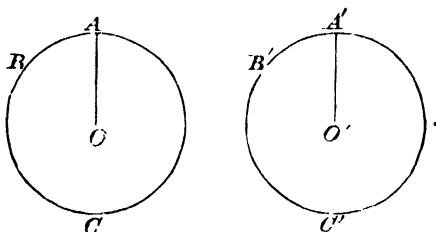
Ex. 6. If in any quadrilateral the opposite angles be together equal to two right angles, a circle may be described about that quadrilateral.

Propositions xxiii. and xxiv., not being required in the method adopted for proving the subsequent Propositions in this book, are removed to the Appendix. Proposition xxv. has been already proved.

NOTE 3. *On the Method of Superposition, as applied to Circles.*

In Props. xxvi. xxvii. xxviii. xxix. we prove certain relations existing between chords, arcs, and angles in equal circles. As we shall employ the Method of Superposition, we must state the principles which render this method applicable, as a test of equality, in the case of figures with circular boundaries.

DEF. XIII. *Equal circles are those, of which the radii are equal.*



For suppose  $ABC$ ,  $A'B'C'$  to be circles, of which the radii are equal.

Then if  $\odot A'B'C'$  be applied to  $\odot ABC$ , so that  $O'$ , the centre of  $A'B'C'$ , coincides with  $O$ , the centre of  $ABC$ , it is evident that any particular point  $A'$  in the  $\odot$ ce of the former must coincide with some point  $A$  in  $\odot$ ce of the latter, because of the equality of the radii  $O'A'$  and  $OA$ .

Hence  $\odot$ ce  $A'B'C'$  must coincide with  $\odot$ ce  $ABC$ ,  
that is,  $\odot A'B'C' = \odot ABC$ .

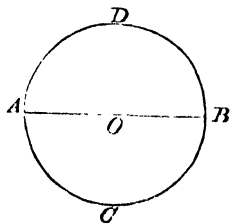
Further, when we have applied the circle  $A'B'C'$  to the circle  $ABC$ , so that the centres coincide, we may imagine  $ABC$  to remain fixed, while  $A'B'C'$  revolves round the common centre. Hence we may suppose any particular point  $B'$  in the circumference of  $A'B'C'$  to be made to coincide with any particular point  $B$  in the circumference of  $ABC$ .

Again, any radius  $O'A'$  of the circle  $A'B'C'$  may be made to coincide with any radius  $OA$  of the circle  $ABC$ .

Also, if  $A'B'$  and  $AB$  be equal arcs, they may be made to coincide.

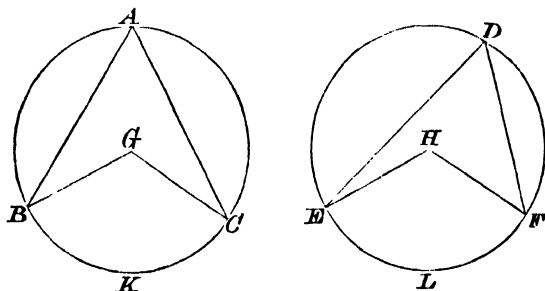
Again, every diameter of a circle divides the circle into equal segments.

For let  $AOB$  be a diameter of the circle  $ACBD$ , of which  $O$  is the centre. Suppose the segment  $ACB$  to be applied to the segment  $ADB$ , so as to keep  $AB$  a common boundary: then the arc  $ACB$  must coincide with the arc  $ADB$ , because every point in each is equally distant from  $O$ .



## PROPOSITION XXVI. THEOREM.

*In equal circles, the arcs, which subtend equal angles, whether they be at the centres or at the circumferences, must be equal.*



Let  $ABC, DEF$  be equal circles, and let  $\angle s BGC, EHF$  at their centres, and  $\angle s BAC, EDF$  at their  $\odot$ ces, be equal.

*Then must arc  $BKC = \text{arc } ELF$ .*

For, if  $\odot ABC$  be applied to  $\odot DEF$ ,

so that  $G$  coincides with  $H$ , and  $GB$  falls on  $HE$ ,

then,  $\because GB = HE$ ,  $\therefore B$  will coincide with  $E$ .

And  $\because \angle BGC = \angle EHF$ ,  $\therefore GC$  will fall on  $HF$ ;

and  $\because GC = HF$ ,  $\therefore C$  will coincide with  $F$ .

Then  $\because B$  coincides with  $E$  and  $C$  with  $F$ ,

$\therefore$  arc  $BKC$  will coincide with and be equal to arc  $ELF$ .

Q. E. D.

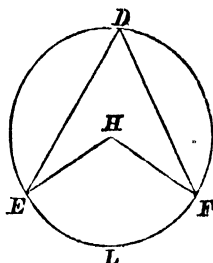
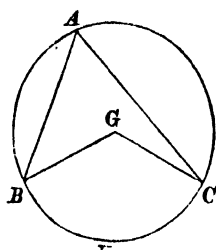
Cor. Sector  $BGCK$  is equal to sector  $EHFL$ .

NOTE. This and the three following Propositions are, and will hereafter be assumed to be, true for *the same circle* as well as for *equal circles*.



## PROPOSITION XXVII. THEOREM.

*In equal circles, the angles, which are subtended by equal arcs, whether they are at the centres or at the circumferences, must be equal.*



Let  $ABC, DEF$  be equal circles, and let  $\angle s\ BGC, EHF$  at their centres, and  $\angle s\ BAC, EDF$  at their  $\bigcirc$ ces, be subtended by equal arcs  $BKC, ELF$ .

*Then must  $\angle BGC = \angle EHF$ , and  $\angle BAC = \angle EDF$ .*

For, if  $\bigcirc\ ABC$  be applied to  $\bigcirc\ DEF$ ,  
so that  $G$  coincides with  $H$ , and  $GB$  falls on  $HE$ ,  
then  $\because GB = HE, \therefore B$  will coincide with  $E$ ;  
and  $\because \text{arc } BKC = \text{arc } ELF, \therefore C$  will coincide with  $F$ .  
Hence,  $GC$  will coincide with  $HF$ .

Then  $\because BG$  coincides with  $EH$ , and  $GC$  with  $HF$ ,  
 $\therefore \angle BGC$  will coincide with and be equal to  $\angle EHF$ .  
Again,  $\because \angle BAC = \text{half of } \angle BGC$ , III. 20.  
and  $\angle EDF = \text{half of } \angle EHF$ , III. 20.  
 $\therefore \angle BAC = \angle EDF$ . I. Ax. 7.

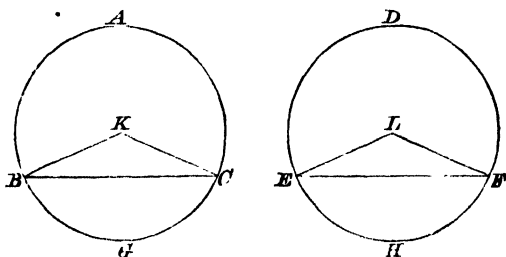
Q. E. D.

Ex. 1. If, in a circle,  $AB, CD$  be two arcs of given magnitude, and  $AC, BD$  be joined to meet in  $E$ , shew that the angle  $AEB$  is invariable.

Ex. 2. The straight lines joining the extremities of the chords of two equal arcs of the same circle, towards the same parts, are parallel to each other.

## PROPOSITION XXVIII. THEOREM.

*In equal circles, the arcs, which are subtended by equal chords, must be equal, the greater to the greater, and the less to the less.*



Let  $ABC$ ,  $DEF$  be equal circles, and  $BC$ ,  $EF$  equal chords, subtending the major arcs  $BAC$ ,  $EDF$ , and the minor arcs  $BGC$ ,  $EHF$ .

*Then must arc  $BAC = \text{arc } EDF$ , and arc  $BGC = \text{arc } EHF$ .*

Take the centres  $K$ ,  $L$ , and join  $KB$ ,  $KC$ ,  $LE$ ,  $LF$ .

Then  $\because KB = LE$ , and  $KC = LF$ , and  $BC = EF$ ,

$\therefore \angle BKC = \angle ELF$ .

I. c.

Hence, if  $\odot ABC$  be applied to  $\odot DEF$ , so that  $K$  coincides with  $L$ , and  $KB$  falls on  $LE$ , then  $\because \angle BKC = \angle ELF$ ,  $\therefore KC$  will fall on  $LF$ ; and  $\because KC = LF$ ,  $\therefore C$  will coincide with  $F$ .

Then  $\because B$  coincides with  $E$ , and  $C$  with  $F$ ,  $\therefore$  arc  $BAC$  will coincide with and be equal to arc  $EDF$ , and arc  $BGC$ .....  $EHF$ .

Q. E. D.

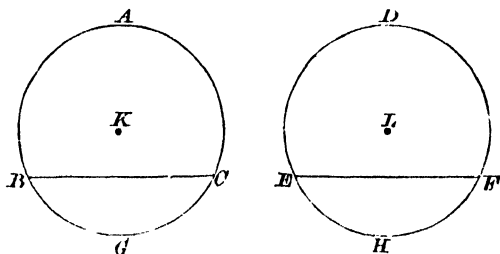
Ex. 1. If, in a circle  $ABCD$ , the chord  $AB$  be equal to the chord  $DC$ ,  $AD$  must be parallel to  $BC$ .

Ex. 2. If a straight line, drawn from  $A$  the middle point of an arc  $BC$ , touch the circle, shew that it is parallel to the chord  $BC$ .

Ex. 3. If two equal chords, in a given circle, cut one another, the segments of the one shall be equal to the segments of the other, each to each.

## PROPOSITION XXIX. THEOREM.

*In equal circles, the chords, which subtend equal arcs, must be equal.*



Let  $ABC, DEF$  be equal circles, and let  $BC, EF$  be chords subtending the equal arcs  $BGC, EHF$ .

*Then must chord  $BC =$  chord  $EF$ .*

Take the centres  $K, L$ .

Then, if  $\odot ABC$  be applied to  $\odot DEF$ ,

so that  $K$  coincides with  $L$ , and  $B$  with  $E$ ,

and arc  $BGC$  falls on arc  $EHF$ ,

$\therefore$  arc  $BGC =$  arc  $EHF$ ,  $\therefore C$  will coincide with  $F$ .

Then  $\therefore B$  coincides with  $E$  and  $C$  with  $F$ ,

$\therefore$  chord  $BC$  must coincide with and be equal to chord  $EF$ .

Q. E. D.

**Ex. 1.** The two straight lines in a circle, which join the extremities of two parallel chords, are equal to one another.

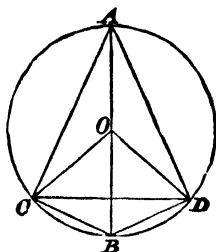
**Ex. 2.** If three equal chords of a circle, cut one another in the same point, within the circle, that point is the centre.

NOTE 4. *On the Symmetrical properties of the Circle with regard to its diameter.*

The brief remarks on Symmetry in pp. 107, 108 may now be extended in the following way :

A *figure* is said to be symmetrical with regard to a line, when every perpendicular to the line meets the figure at points which are equidistant from the line.

Hence a Circle is Symmetrical with regard to its Diameter, because the diameter *bisects* every chord, to which it is perpendicular.



Further, suppose  $AB$  to be a diameter of the circle  $ACBD$ , of which  $O$  is the centre, and  $CD$  to be a chord perpendicular to  $AB$ .

Then, if lines be drawn as in the diagram, we know that  $AB$  bisects

- (1.) The chord  $CD$ , III. 1.
- (2.) The arcs  $CAD$  and  $CBD$ , III. 26.
- (3.) The angles  $CAD$ ,  $COD$ ,  $CBD$ , and the reflex angle  $DOC$ . I. 4.

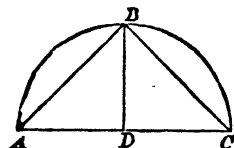
Also, chord  $CB = \text{chord } DB$ , I. 4.

and chord  $AC = \text{chord } AD$ . I. 4.

These Symmetrical relations should be carefully observed, because they are often suggestive of methods for the solution of problems.

## PROPOSITION XXX. PROBLEM.

*To bisect a given arc.*



Let  $ABC$  be the given arc.

*It is required to bisect the arc  $ABC$ .*

Join  $AC$ , and bisect the chord  $AC$  in  $D$ . I. 10.

From  $D$  draw  $DB \perp$  to  $AC$ . I. 11.

*Then will the arc  $ABC$  be bisected in  $B$ .*

Join  $BA$ ,  $BC$ .

Then, in  $\triangle s$   $ADB$ ,  $CDB$ ,

$\therefore AD = CD$ , and  $DB$  is common, and  $\angle ADB = \angle CDB$ ,

$\therefore BA = BC$ . I. 4.

But, in the same circle, the arcs, which are subtended by equal chords, are equal, the greater to the greater and the less to the less; III. 28.

and  $\therefore BD$ , if produced, is a diameter,

$\therefore$  each of the arcs  $BA$ ,  $BC$ , is less than a semicircle,

and  $\therefore \text{arc } BA = \text{arc } BC$ .

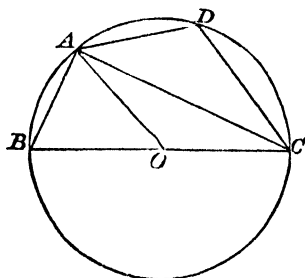
Thus the arc  $ABC$  is bisected in  $B$ .

Q. E. D.

**Ex.** If, from any point in the diameter of a semicircle, there be drawn two straight lines to the circumference, one to the bisection of the circumference, and the other at right angles to the diameter, the squares on these two lines are together double of the square on the radius.

## PROPOSITION XXXI. THEOREM.

*In a circle, the angle in a semicircle is a right angle ; and the angle in a segment greater than a semicircle is less than a right angle ; and the angle in a segment less than a semicircle is greater than a right angle.*



Let  $ABC$  be a  $\odot$ ,  $O$  its centre, and  $BC$  a diameter.

Draw  $AC$ , dividing the  $\odot$  into the segments  $ABC$ ,  $ADC$ .

Join  $BA$ ,  $AD$ ,  $DC$ ,  $AO$ .

*Then must the  $\angle$  in the semicircle  $BAC$  be a rt.  $\angle$ , and  $\angle$  in segment  $ABC$ , greater than a semicircle, less than a rt.  $\angle$ , and  $\angle$  in segment  $ADC$ , less than a semicircle, greater than a rt.  $\angle$ .*

First,  $\because BO=AO, \therefore \angle BAO=\angle ABO$ ; I. A.

$\therefore \angle COA=\text{twice } \angle BAO$ ; I. 32.

and  $\because CO=AO, \therefore \angle CAO=\angle ACO$ ; I. A.

$\therefore \angle BOA=\text{twice } \angle CAO$ ; I. 32.

$\therefore$  sum of  $\angle$  s  $COA, BOA=\text{twice sum of } \angle$  s  $BAO, CAO$ , that is, two right angles= $\text{twice } \angle BAC$ .

$\therefore \angle BAC$  is a right angle.

Next,  $\because \angle BAC$  is a rt.  $\angle$ ,

$\therefore \angle ABC$  is less than a rt.  $\angle$ . I. 17.

Lastly,  $\because$  sum of  $\angle$  s  $ABC, ADC=\text{two rt. } \angle$  s, III. 22.

and  $\angle ABC$  is less than a rt.  $\angle$ ,

$\therefore \angle ADC$  is greater than a rt.  $\angle$ . Q. E. D.

NOTE.—For a simpler proof see page 178.

**Ex. 1.** If a circle be described on the radius of another circle as diameter, any straight line, drawn from the point, where they meet, to the outer circumference, is bisected by the interior one.

**Ex. 2.** If a straight line be drawn to touch a circle, and be parallel to a chord, the point of contact will be the middle point of the arc cut off by the chord.

**Ex. 3.** If, from any point without a circle, lines be drawn touching it, the angle contained by the tangents is double of the angle contained by the line joining the points of contact, and the diameter drawn through one of them.

**Ex. 4.** The vertical angle of any oblique-angled triangle inscribed in a circle is greater or less than a right angle, by the angle contained by the base and the diameter drawn from the extremity of the base.

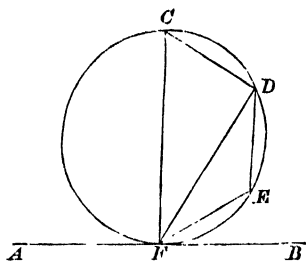
**Ex. 5.** If, from the extremities of any diameter of a given circle, perpendiculars be drawn to any chord of the circle that is not parallel to the diameter, the less perpendicular shall be equal to that segment of the greater, which is contained between the circumference and the chord.

**Ex. 6.** If two circles cut one another, and from either point of intersection diameters be drawn, the extremities of these diameters and the other point of intersection lie in the same straight line.

**Ex. 7.** Draw a straight line cutting two concentric circles, so that the part of it which is intercepted by the circumference of the greater may be twice the part intercepted by the circumference of the less.

## PROPOSITION XXXII. THEOREM.

If a straight line touch a circle, and from the point of contact a straight line be drawn cutting the circle, the angles made by this line with the line touching the circle must be equal to the angles, which are in the alternate segments of the circle.



Let the st. line  $AB$  touch the  $\odot CDEF$  in  $F$ .

Draw the chord  $FD$ , dividing the  $\odot$  into segments  $FCD$ ,  $FED$ .

Then must  $\angle DFB = \angle$  in segment  $FCD$ ,  
and  $\angle DFA = \angle$  in segment  $FED$ .

From  $F$  draw the chord  $FC \perp$  to  $AB$ .

Then  $FC$  is a diameter of the  $\odot$ . III. 19.

Take any pt.  $E$  in the arc  $FED$ , and join  $FE$ ,  $ED$ ,  $DC$ .

Then  $\therefore FDC$  is a semicircle,  $\therefore \angle FDC$  is a rt.  $\angle$ ; III. 31.

$\therefore$  sum of  $\angle$  s  $FCD$ ,  $CFD$  = a rt.  $\angle$ . I. 32.

Also, sum of  $\angle$  s  $DEB$ ,  $CFD$  = a rt.  $\angle$ .

$\therefore$  sum of  $\angle$  s  $DFB$ ,  $CFD$  = sum of  $\angle$  s  $FCD$ ,  $CFD$ ,

and  $\therefore \angle DFB = \angle FCD$ ,

that is,  $\angle DFB = \angle$  in segment  $FCD$ .

Again,  $\therefore CDEF$  is a quadrilateral fig. inscribed in a  $\odot$ ,

$\therefore$  sum of  $\angle$  s  $FED$ ,  $FCD$  = two rt.  $\angle$  s. III. 22.

Also, sum of  $\angle$  s  $DFA$ ,  $DEB$  = two rt.  $\angle$  s. I. 13.

$\therefore$  sum of  $\angle$  s  $DFA$ ,  $DFB$  = sum of  $\angle$  s  $FED$ ,  $FCD$ ;

and  $\angle DFB$  has been proved =  $\angle FCD$ ;

$\therefore \angle DFA = \angle FED$ ,

that is,  $\angle DFA = \angle$  in segment  $FED$ .

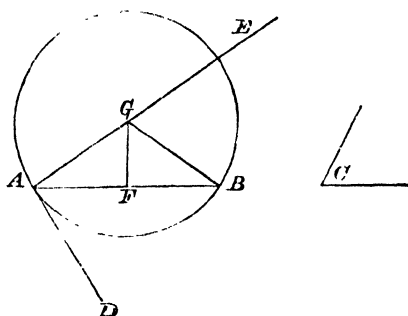
Q. E. D.

Ex. The chord joining the points of contact of parallel tangents is a diameter.



## PROPOSITION XXXIII. PROBLEM.

On a given straight line to describe a segment of a circle capable of containing an angle equal to a given angle.



Let  $AB$  be the given st. line, and  $C$  the given  $\angle$ .

It is required to describe on  $AB$  a segment of a  $\odot$  which shall contain an  $\angle = \angle C$ .

At pt.  $A$  in st. line  $AB$  make  $\angle BAD = \angle C$ . I. 23

Draw  $AE \perp$  to  $AD$ , and bisect  $AB$  in  $F$ .

From  $F$  draw  $FG \perp$  to  $AB$ , meeting  $AE$  in  $G$ . Join  $GB$ .

Then in  $\Delta$ s  $AGF$ ,  $BGF$ ;

$\therefore AF = BF$ , and  $FG$  is common, and  $\angle AFG = \angle BFG$ ;

$\therefore GA = GB$ . I. 4.

With  $G$  as centre and  $GA$  as radius describe a  $\odot$   $ABH$ .

Then will  $AHB$  be the segment reqd.

For  $\because AD$  is  $\perp$  to  $AE$ , a line passing through the centre,

$\therefore AD$  is a tangent to the  $\odot$   $ABH$ . III. 16.

And  $\because$  the chord  $AB$  is drawn from the pt. of contact  $A$ ,

$\therefore \angle BAD = \angle$  in segment  $AHB$ , III. 32.

that is, the segment  $AHB$  contains an  $\angle = \angle C$ ,

and it is described on  $AB$ , as was reqd.

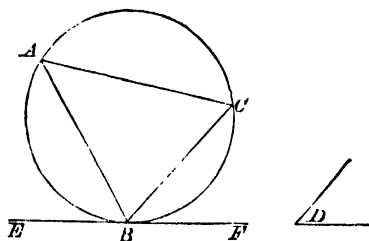
Q. E. F.

Ex. 1. Two circles intersect in  $A$ , and through  $A$  is drawn a straight line meeting the circles again in  $P$ ,  $Q$ . Prove that the angle between the tangents at  $P$  and  $Q$  is equal to the angle between the tangents at  $A$ .

Ex. 2. From two given points on the same side of a straight line, given in position, draw two straight lines which shall contain a given angle, and be terminated in the given line.

## PROPOSITION XXXIV. PROBLEM.

To cut off a segment from a given circle, capable of containing an angle equal to a given angle.



Let  $ABC$  be the given  $\odot$ , and  $D$  the given  $\angle$ .

It is required to cut off from  $\odot ABC$  a segment capable of containing an  $\angle = \angle D$ .

Draw the st. line  $EBF$  to touch the circle at  $B$ .

At  $B$  make  $\angle FBC = \angle D$ .

Then  $\therefore$  the chord  $BC$  is drawn from the pt. of contact  $B$ ,

$\therefore \angle FBC = \angle$  in segment  $BAC$ , III. 32.

that is, the segment  $BAC$  contains an  $\angle = \angle D$ ;

and  $\therefore$  a segment has been cut off from the  $\odot$ , as was reqd.

Q. E. F.

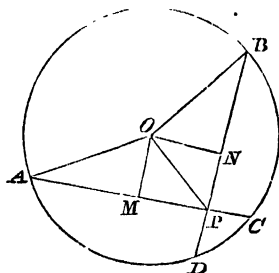
Ex. 1. If two circles touch internally at a point, any straight line passing through the point will divide the circles into segments, capable of containing equal angles.

Ex. 2. Given a side of a triangle, its vertical angle, and the radius of the circumscribing circle: construct the triangle.

Ex. 3. Given the base, vertical angle, and the perpendicular from the extremity of the base on the opposite side: construct the triangle.

## PROPOSITION XXXV. THEOREM.

If two chords in a circle cut one another, the rectangle contained by the segments of one of them, is equal to the rectangle contained by the segments of the other.



Let the chords  $AC$ ,  $BD$  in the  $\odot ABCD$  intersect in the pt.  $P$ .

Then must  $\text{rect. } AP, PC = \text{rect. } BP, PD$ .

From  $O$ , the centre, draw  $OM$ ,  $ON \perp$ s to  $AC$ ,  $BD$ ,  
and join  $OA$ ,  $OB$ ,  $OP$ .

Then  $\because AC$  is divided equally in  $M$  and unequally in  $P$ ,  
 $\therefore \text{rect. } AP, PC$  with sq. on  $MP = \text{sq. on } AM$ . II. 5.

Adding to each the sq. on  $MO$ ,  
 $\text{rect. } AP, PC$  with sqq. on  $MP, MO = \text{sqq. on } AM, MO$ ;  
 $\therefore \text{rect. } AP, PC$  with sq. on  $OP = \text{sq. on } OA$ . I. 47.

In the same way it may be shewn that

$\text{rect. } BP, PD$  with sq. on  $OP = \text{sq. on } OB$ .

Then  $\because \text{sq. on } OA = \text{sq. on } OB$ ,

$\therefore \text{rect. } AP, PC$  with sq. on  $OP = \text{rect. } BP, PD$  with sq. on  $OP$ ;

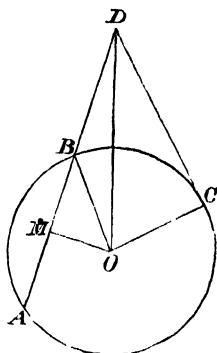
$\therefore \text{rect. } AP, PC = \text{rect. } BP, PD$ . Q. E. D.

Ex. 1.  $A$  and  $B$  are fixed points, and two circles are described passing through them;  $PCQ$ ,  $P'CQ'$  are chords of these circles intersecting in  $C$ , a point in  $AB$ ; shew that the rectangle  $CP, CQ$  is equal to the rectangle  $CP', CQ'$ .

Ex. 2. If through any point in the common chord of two circles, which intersect one another, there be drawn any two other chords, one in each circle, their four extremities shall all lie in the circumference of a circle.

## PROPOSITION XXXVI. THEOREM.

If, from any point without a circle, two straight lines be drawn, one of which cuts the circle, and the other touches it; the rectangle contained by the whole line which cuts the circle, and the part of it without the circle, must be equal to the square on the line which touches it.



Let  $D$  be any pt. without the  $\odot ABC$ ,  
and let the st. lines  $DBA$ ,  $DC$  be drawn to cut and touch the  $\odot$ .

Then must  $\text{rect. } AD, DB = \text{sq. on } DC$ .

From  $O$ , the centre, draw  $OM$  bisecting  $AB$  in  $M$ ,  
and join  $OB$ ,  $OC$ ,  $OD$ .

Then  $\because AB$  is bisected in  $M$  and produced to  $D$ ,

$\therefore \text{rect. } AD, DB \text{ with sq. on } MB = \text{sq. on } MD$ . II. 6.

Adding to each the sq. on  $MO$ ,  
 $\text{rect. } AD, DB \text{ with sqq. on } MB, MO = \text{sqq. on } MD, MO$ .

Now the angles at  $M$  and  $C$  are rt.  $\angle$ s; III. 3 and 18.

$\therefore \text{rect. } AD, DB \text{ with sq. on } OB = \text{sq. on } OD$ ;

$\therefore \text{rect. } AD, DB \text{ with sq. on } OB = \text{sqq. on } OC, DC$ . I. 47.

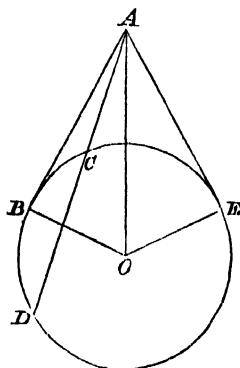
And  $\text{sq. on } OB = \text{sq. on } OC$ ;

$\therefore \text{rect. } AD, DB = \text{sq. on } DC$ .

Q. E. D.

## PROPOSITION XXXVII. THEOREM.

If, from a point without a circle, there be drawn two straight lines, one of which cuts the circle, and the other meets it; if the rectangle contained by the whole line which cuts the circle, and the part of it without the circle, be equal to the square on the line which meets it, the line which meets must touch the circle.



Let  $A$  be a pt. without the  $\odot BCD$ , of which  $O$  is the centre.  
From  $A$  let two st. lines  $ACD$ ,  $AB$  be drawn, of which  $ACD$  cuts the  $\odot$  and  $AB$  meets it.

Then if rect.  $DA$ ,  $AC = \text{sq. on } AB$ ,  $AB$  must touch the  $\odot$ .

Draw  $AE$  touching the  $\odot$  in  $E$ , and join  $OB$ ,  $OA$ ,  $OE$ .

Then  $\because ACD$  cuts the  $\odot$ , and  $AE$  touches it,

$\therefore \text{rect. } DA, AC = \text{sq. on } AE$ . III. 36.

But rect.  $DA, AC = \text{sq. on } AB$ ; Hyp.

$\therefore \text{sq. on } AB = \text{sq. on } AE$ ;

$\therefore AB = AE$ .

Then in the  $\triangle$ s  $OAB$ ,  $OAE$ ,

$\because OB = OE$ , and  $OA$  is common, and  $AB = AE$ ,

$\therefore \angle ABO = \angle AEO$ . I. c.

But  $\angle AEO$  is a rt.  $\angle$ ; III. 18.

$\therefore \angle ABO$  is a rt.  $\angle$ .

Now  $BO$ , if produced, is a diameter of the  $\odot$ ;

$\therefore AB$  touches the  $\odot$ . III. 16.

Q. E. D.

*Miscellaneous Exercises on Book III.*

1. The segments, into which a circle is cut by any straight line, contain angles, whose difference is equal to the inclination to each other of the straight lines touching the circle at the extremities of the straight line which divides the circle.

2. If from the point in which a number of circles touch each other, a straight line be drawn cutting all the circles, shew that the lines which join the points of intersection in each circle with its centre will be all parallel.

3. From a point  $Q$  in a circle,  $QN$  is drawn perpendicular to a chord  $PP'$ , and  $QM$  perpendicular to the tangent at  $P$ : shew that the triangles  $NQP'$ ,  $QPM$  are equiangular.

4.  $AB$ ,  $AC$  are chords of a circle, and  $D$ ,  $E$  are the middle points of their arcs. If  $DE$  be joined, shew that it will cut off equal parts from  $AB$ ,  $AC$ .

5. One angle of a quadrilateral figure inscribed in a circle is a right angle, and from the centre of the circle perpendiculars are drawn to the sides, shew that the sum of their squares is equal to twice the square of the radius.

6.  $A$  is the extremity of the diameter of a circle,  $O$  any point in the diameter. The chord which is bisected at  $O$  subtends a greater or less angle at  $A$  than any other chord through  $O$ , according as  $O$  and  $A$  are on the same or opposite sides of the centre.

7. If a straight line in a circle not passing through the centre be bisected by another and this by a third and so on, prove that the points of bisection continually approach the centre of the circle.

8. If a circle be described passing through the opposite angles of a parallelogram, and cutting the four sides, and the points of intersection be joined so as to form a hexagon, the straight lines thus drawn shall be parallel to each other.

9. If two circles touch each other externally and any third circle touch both, prove that the difference of the distances of

the centre of the third circle from the centres of the other two is invariable.

10. Draw two concentric circles, such that those chords of the outer circle, which touch the inner, may equal its diameter.

11. If the sides of a quadrilateral inscribed in a circle be bisected and the middle points of adjacent sides joined, the circles described about the triangles thus formed are all equal and all touch the original circle.

12. Draw a tangent to a circle which shall be parallel to a given finite straight line.

13. Describe a circle, which shall have a given radius, and its centre in a given straight line, and shall also touch another straight line, inclined at a given angle to the former.

14. Find a point in the diameter produced of a given circle, from which, if a tangent be drawn to the circle, it shall be equal to a given straight line.

15. Two equal circles intersect in the points  $A, B$ , and through  $B$  a straight line  $CBM$  is drawn cutting them again in  $C, M$ . Shew that if with centre  $C$  and radius  $BM$  a circle be described, it will cut the circle  $ABC$  in a point  $L$  such that arc  $AL = \text{arc } AB$ .

Shew also that  $LB$  is the tangent at  $B$ .

16.  $AB$  is any chord and  $AC$  a tangent to a circle at  $A$ ;  $CDE$  a line cutting the circle in  $D$  and  $E$  and parallel to  $AB$ . Shew that the triangle  $ACD$  is equiangular to the triangle  $EAB$ .

17. Two equal circles cut one another in the points  $A, B$ ;  $BC$  is a chord equal to  $AB$ ; shew that  $AC$  is a tangent to the other circle.

18.  $A, B$  are two points; with centre  $B$  describe a circle, such that its tangent from  $A$  shall be equal to a given line.

19. The perpendiculars drawn from the angular points of a triangle to the opposite sides pass through the same point.

20. If perpendiculars be dropped from the angular points of a triangle on the opposite sides, shew that the sum of the squares on the sides of the triangle is equal to twice the sum of the rectangles, contained by the perpendiculars and that part of each intercepted between the angles of the triangles and the point of intersection of the perpendiculars.

21. When two circles intersect, their common chord bisects their common tangent.

22. Two circles intersect in  $A$  and  $B$ . Two points  $C$  and  $D$  are taken on one of the circles;  $CA$ ,  $CB$  meet the other circle in  $E$ ,  $F$ , and  $DA$ ,  $DB$  meet it in  $G$ ,  $H$ : shew that  $FG$  is parallel to  $EH$ .

23.  $A$  and  $B$  are fixed points, and two circles are described passing through them;  $CP$ ,  $CP'$  are drawn from a point  $C$  on  $AB$  produced, to touch the circles in  $P$ ,  $P'$ ; shew that  $CP = CP'$ .

24. From each angular point of a triangle a perpendicular is let fall upon the opposite side; prove that the rectangles contained by the segments, into which each perpendicular is divided by the point of intersection of the three, are equal to each other.

25. If from a point without a circle two equal straight lines be drawn to the circumference and produced, shew that they will be at the same distance from the centre.

26. Let  $O$ ,  $O'$  be the centres of two circles which cut each other in  $A$ ,  $A'$ . Let  $B$ ,  $B'$  be two points, taken one on each circumference. Let  $C$ ,  $C'$  be the centres of the circles  $BAB'$ ,  $BA'B'$ . Then prove that the angle  $CBC'$  is the supplement of the angle  $OA'O'$ .

27. The common chord of two circles is produced to any point  $P$ ;  $PA$  touches one of the circles in  $A$ ;  $PBO$  is any chord of the other: shew that the circle which passes through  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $C$  touches the circle to which  $PA$  is a tangent.

28. Given the base of a triangle, the vertical angle, and the length of the line drawn from the vertex to the middle point of the base: construct the triangle.



29. If a circle be described about the triangle  $ABC$ , and a straight line be drawn bisecting the angle  $BAC$  and cutting the circle in  $D$ , shew that the angle  $DCB$  will be equal to half the angle  $BAC$ .

30. If the line  $AD$  bisect the angle  $A$  in the triangle  $ABC$ , and  $BD$  be drawn without the triangle making an angle with  $BC$  equal to half the angle  $BAC$ , shew that a circle may be described about  $ABCD$ .

31. Two equal circles intersect in  $A, B$ :  $PQT$  perpendicular to  $AB$  meets it in  $T$  and the circles in  $P, Q$ .  $AP, BQ$  meet in  $R$ ;  $AQ, BP$  in  $S$ ; prove that the angle  $RTS$  is bisected by  $TP$ .

32. If the angle, contained by any side of a quadrilateral and the adjacent side produced, be equal to the opposite angle of the quadrilateral, prove that any side of the quadrilateral will subtend equal angles at the opposite angles of the quadrilateral.

33. If  $DE$  be drawn parallel to the base  $BC$  of a triangle  $ABC$ , prove that the circles described about the triangles  $ABC$  and  $ADE$  have a common tangent at  $A$ .

34. Describe a square equal to the difference of two given squares.

35. If tangents be drawn to a circle from any point without it, and a third line be drawn between the point and the centre of the circle, touching the circle, the perimeter of the triangle formed by the three tangents will be the same for all positions of the third point of contact.

36. If on the sides of any triangle as chords, circles be described, of which the segments external to the triangle contain angles respectively equal to the angles of a given triangle, those circles will intersect in a point.

37. Prove that if  $ABC$  be a triangle inscribed in a circle, such that  $BA=BC$ , and  $AA'$  be drawn parallel to  $BC$ , meeting the circle again in  $A'$ , and  $A'B$  be joined cutting  $AC$  in  $E$ ,  $BA$  touches the circle described about the triangle  $AEA'$ .

38. Describe a circle, cutting the sides of a given square, so that its circumference may be divided at the points of intersection into eight equal arcs.

39.  $AB$  is the diameter of a semicircle,  $D$  and  $E$  any two points on its circumference. Shew that if the chords joining  $A$  and  $B$  with  $D$  and  $E$ , either way, intersect in  $F$  and  $G$ , the tangents at  $D$  and  $E$  meet in the middle point of the line  $FG$ , and that  $FG$  produced is at right angles to  $AB$ .

40. Shew that the square on the tangent drawn from any point in the outer of two concentric circles to the inner equals the difference of the squares on the tangents, drawn from any point, without both circles, to the circles.

41. If from a point without a circle, two tangents  $PT, PT'$ , at right angles to one another, be drawn to touch the circle, and if from  $T$  any chord  $TQ$  be drawn, and from  $T'$  a perpendicular  $T'M$  be dropped on  $TQ$ , then  $T'M = QM$ .

42. Find the loci :

(1.) Of the centres of circles passing through two given points.

(2.) Of the middle points of a system of parallel chords in a circle.

(3.) Of points such that the difference of the distances of each from two given straight lines is equal to a given straight line.

(4.) Of the centres of circles touching a given line in a given point.

(5.) Of the middle points of chords in a circle that pass through a given point.

(6.) Of the centres of circles of given radius which touch a given circle.

(7.) Of the middle points of chords of equal length in a circle.

(8.) Of the middle points of the straight lines drawn from a given point to meet the circumference of a given circle.

43. If the base and vertical angle of a triangle be given, find the locus of the vertex.

44. A straight line remains parallel to itself while one of its extremities describes a circle. What is the locus of the other extremity?

45. A ladder slips down between a vertical wall and a horizontal plane: what is the locus of its middle point?

46.  $ABC$  is a line drawn from a point  $A$ , without a circle, to meet the circumference in  $B$  and  $C$ . Tangents are drawn to the circle at  $B$  and  $C$  which meet in  $D$ . What is the locus of  $D$ ?

47. The angular points  $A, C$  of a parallelogram  $ABCD$  move on two fixed straight lines  $OA, OC$ , whose inclination is equal to the angle  $BCD$ ; shew that one of the points  $B, D$ , which is the more remote from  $O$ , will move on a fixed straight line passing through  $O$ .

48. On the line  $AB$  is described the segment of a circle in the circumference of which any point  $C$  is taken. If  $AC, BC$  be joined, and a point  $P$  taken in  $AC$  so that  $CP$  is equal to  $CB$ , find the locus of  $P$ .

49. The centre of the circle  $CBED$  is on the circumference of  $ABD$ . If from any point  $A$  the lines  $ABC$  and  $AED$  be drawn to cut the circles, the chord  $BE$  is parallel to  $CD$ .

50. If a parallelogram be described having the diameter of a given circle for one of its sides, and the intersection of its diagonals on the circumference, shew that the extremity of each of the diagonals moves on the circumference of another circle of double the diameter of the first.

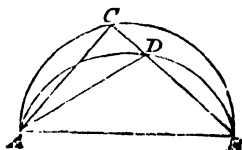
51. One diagonal of a quadrilateral inscribed in a circle is fixed, and the other of constant length. Shew that the sides will meet, if produced, on the circumferences of two fixed circles.

We here insert Euclid's proofs of Props. 23, 24 of Book III. first observing that he gives the following definition of similar segments :—

DEF. *Similar segments of circles are those in which the angles are equal, or which contain equal angles.*

### PROPOSITION XXIII. THEOREM

*Upon the same straight line, and upon the same side of it, there cannot be two similar segments of circles, not coinciding with each other.*



If it be possible, on the same base  $AB$ , and on the same side of it, let there be two similar segments of  $\odot$ s,  $ABC$ ,  $ABD$ , which do not coincide.

Because  $\odot ADB$  cuts  $\odot ACB$  in pts.  $A$  and  $B$ , they cannot cut one another in any other pt., and  $\therefore$  one of the segments must fall within the other.

Let  $ADB$  fall within  $ACB$ .

Draw the st. line  $BDC$  and join  $CA$ ,  $DA$ .

Then  $\because$  segment  $ADB$  is similar to segment  $ACB$ ,

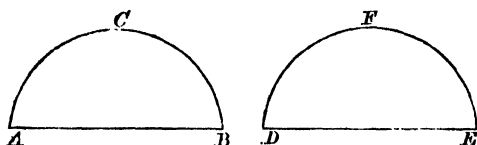
$$\therefore \angle ADB = \angle ACB.$$

Or the extr.  $\angle$  of a  $\triangle$  = the intr. and opposite  $\angle$ , which is impossible ;

$\therefore$  the segments cannot but coincide.

## PROPOSITION XXIV. THEOREM.

*Similar segments of circles, upon equal straight lines, are equal to one another.*



Let  $ABC$ ,  $DEF$  be similar segments of  $\odot$ s on equal st. lines  $AB$ ,  $DE$ .

*Then must segment  $ABC$  = segment  $DEF$ .*

For if segment  $ABC$  be applied to segment  $DEF$ , so that  $A$  may be on  $D$  and  $AB$  on  $DE$ , then  $B$  will coincide with  $E$ , and  $AB$  with  $DE$ ;

$\therefore$  segment  $ABC$  must also coincide with segment  $DEF$ ;

III. 23.

$\therefore$  segment  $ABC$  = segment  $DEF$ .

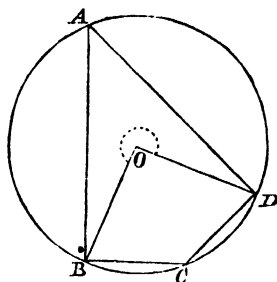
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Q. E. D.

We gave one Proposition, C, page 150, as an example of the way in which the conceptions of Flat and Reflex Angles may be employed to extend and simplify Euclid's proofs. We here give the proofs, based on the same conceptions, of the important propositions XXII. and XXXI.

## PROPOSITION XXII. THEOREM.

*The opposite angles of any quadrilateral figure, inscribed in a circle, are together equal to two right angles.*



Let  $ABCD$  be a quadrilateral fig. inscribed in a  $\odot$ .

*Then must each pair of its opposite  $\angle$  s be together equal to two rt.  $\angle$  s.*

From  $O$ , the centre, draw  $OB$ ,  $OD$ .

Then  $\therefore \angle BOD = \text{twice } \angle BAD$ , III. 20.

and the reflex.  $\angle DOB = \text{twice } \angle BCD$ , III. C. p. 150.

$\therefore$  sum of  $\angle$  s at  $O = \text{twice sum of } \angle$  s  $BAD, BCD$ .

But sum of  $\angle$  s at  $O = 4$  right  $\angle$  s ; I. 15, Cor. 2.

$\therefore$  twice sum of  $\angle$  s  $BAD, BCD = 4$  right  $\angle$  s ;

$\therefore$  sum of  $\angle$  s  $BAD, BCD = \text{two right } \angle$  s.

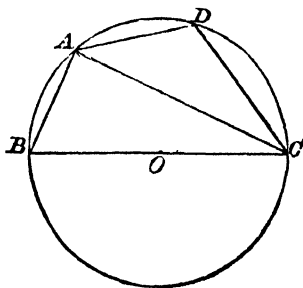
Similarly, it may be shewn that

sum of  $\angle$  s  $ABC, ADC = \text{two right } \angle$  s.

Q. E. D.

## PROPOSITION XXXI. THEOREM.

*In a circle, the angle in a semicircle is a right angle; and the angle in a segment greater than a semicircle is less than a right angle; and the angle in a segment less than a semicircle is greater than a right angle.*



Let  $ABC$  be a  $\odot$ , of which  $O$  is the centre and  $BC$  a diameter.

Draw  $AC$ , dividing the  $\odot$  into the segments  $ABC$ ,  $ADC$ .

Join  $BA$ ,  $AD$ ,  $DC$ .

*Then must the  $\angle$  in the semicircle  $BAC$  be a rt.  $\angle$ , and  $\angle$  in segment  $ABC$ , greater than a semicircle, less than a rt.  $\angle$ , and  $\angle$  in segment  $ADC$ , less than a semicircle, greater than a rt.  $\angle$ .*

First,  $\because$  the flat angle  $BOC = \text{twice } \angle BAC$ , III. C. p. 150.

$\therefore \angle BAC$  is a rt.  $\angle$ .

Next,  $\because \angle BAC$  is a rt.  $\angle$ ,

$\therefore \angle ABC$  is less than a rt.  $\angle$ .

I. 17.

Lastly,  $\because$  sum of  $\angle$ s  $ABC$ ,  $ADC = \text{two rt. } \angle$ s,

III. 22.

and  $\angle ABC$  is less than a rt.  $\angle$ ,

$\therefore \angle ADC$  is greater than a rt.  $\angle$ .

## BOOK IV.

### INTRODUCTORY REMARKS.

**EUCLID** gives in this Book of the Elements a series of Problems relating to cases in which circles may be described in or about triangles, squares, and regular polygons, and of the last-mentioned he treats of three only :

the Pentagon, or figure of 5 sides,

„ Hexagon, „ 6 „

„ Quindecagon, „ 15 „ .

The Student will find it useful to remember the following Theorems, which are established and applied in the proofs of the Propositions in this Book.

I. The bisectors of the angles of a triangle, square, or regular polygon meet in a point, which is the centre of the inscribed circle.

II. The perpendiculars drawn from the middle points of the sides of a triangle, square, or regular polygon meet in a point, which is the centre of the circumscribed circle.

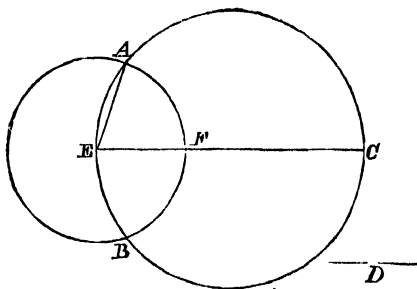
III. In the case of a square, or regular polygon the inscribed and circumscribed circles have a common centre.

IV. If the circumference of a circle be divided into any number of equal parts, the chords joining each pair of consecutive points form a regular figure inscribed in the circle, and the tangents drawn through the points form a regular figure described about the circle.



## PROPOSITION I. PROBLEM.

*In a given circle to draw a chord equal to a given straight line, which is not greater than the diameter of the circle.*



Let  $ABC$  be the given  $\odot$ , and  $D$  the given line, not greater than the diameter of the  $\odot$ .

*It is required to draw in the  $\odot ABC$  a chord  $= D$ .*

Draw  $EC$ , a diameter of  $\odot ABC$ .

Then if  $EC = D$ , what was required is done.

But if not,  $EC$  is greater than  $D$ . From  $EC$  cut off  $EF = D$ , and with centre  $E$  and radius  $EF$  describe a  $\odot AFB$ , cutting the  $\odot ABC$  in  $A$  and  $B$ ; and join  $AE$ .

Then,  $\because E$  is the centre of  $\odot AFB$ ,

$$\therefore EA = EF,$$

$$\text{and } \therefore EA = D.$$

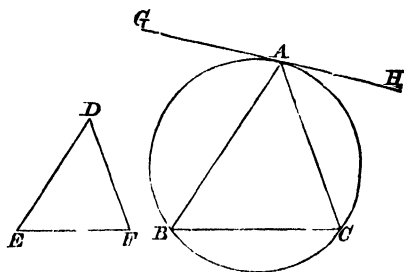
Thus a chord  $EA$  equal to  $D$  has been drawn in  $\odot ABC$ .

Q. E. F.

Ex. Draw the diameter of a circle, which shall pass at a given distance from a given point.

## PROPOSITION II. PROBLEM.

*In a given circle to inscribe a triangle, equiangular to a given triangle.*



• Let  $ABC$  be the given  $\odot$ , and  $DEF$  the given  $\triangle$ .

*It is required to inscribe in  $\odot ABC$  a  $\triangle$ , equiangular to  $\triangle DEF$ .*

Draw  $GAH$  touching the  $\odot ABC$  at the pt.  $A$ . III. 17.

Make  $\angle GAB = \angle DFE$ , and  $\angle HAC = \angle DEF$ . I. 23.

Join  $BC$ . Then will  $\triangle ABC$  be the required  $\triangle$ .

For  $\because GAH$  is a tangent, and  $AB$  a chord of the  $\odot$ ,

$$\therefore \angle ACB = \angle GAB, \quad \text{III. 32.}$$

that is,  $\angle ACB = \angle DFE$ .

$$\text{So also, } \angle ABC = \angle HAC, \quad \text{III. 32.}$$

that is,  $\angle ABC = \angle DEF$ ;

$$\therefore \text{remaining } \angle BAC = \text{remaining } \angle EDF;$$

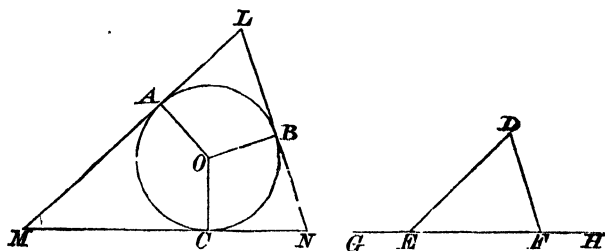
$\therefore \triangle ABC$  is equiangular to  $\triangle DEF$ , and it is inscribed in the  $\odot ABC$ .

Q. E. F.

**Ex.** If an equilateral triangle be inscribed in a circle, prove that the radii, drawn to the angular points, bisect the angles of the triangle.

## PROPOSITION III. PROBLEM.

About a given circle to describe a triangle, equiangular to a given triangle.



Let  $ABC$  be the given  $\odot$ , and  $DEF$  the given  $\triangle$ .

It is required to describe about the  $\odot$  a  $\triangle$  equiangular to  $\triangle EDF$ .

From  $O$ , the centre of the  $\odot$ , draw any radius  $OC$ .

Produce  $EF$  to the pts.  $G, H$ .

Make  $\angle COA = \angle DEG$ , and  $\angle COB = \angle DFH$ . I. 23.

Through  $A, B, C$  draw tangents to the  $\odot$ , meeting in  $L, M, N$ .

Then will  $LMN$  be the  $\triangle$  required.

For  $\because ML, LN, NM$  are tangents to the  $\odot$ ,

$\therefore$  the  $\angle$ s at  $A, B, C$  are rt.  $\angle$ s. III. 18.

Now  $\angle$ s of quadrilateral  $AOCM$  together = four rt.  $\angle$ s ;

and of these  $\angle OAM$  and  $\angle OCM$  are rt.  $\angle$ s ;

$\therefore$  sum of  $\angle$ s  $COA, AMC$  = two rt.  $\angle$ s.

But sum of  $\angle$ s  $DEG, DEF$  = two rt.  $\angle$ s ; I. 32.

$\therefore$  sum of  $\angle$ s  $COA, AMC$  = sum of  $\angle$ s  $DEG, DEF$ ,

and  $\angle COA = \angle DEG$ , by construction ;

$\therefore \angle AMC = \angle DEF$  ;

that is  $\angle LMN = \angle DEF$ .

Similarly, it may be shewn that  $\angle LNM = \angle DFE$  ;

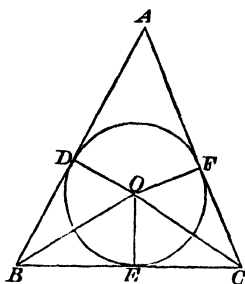
$\therefore$  also  $\angle MLN = \angle EDF$ .

Thus a  $\triangle$ , equiangular to  $\triangle DEF$ , is described about the  $\odot$ .

Q. E. F.

## PROPOSITION IV. PROBLEM.

To inscribe a circle in a given triangle.



Let  $ABC$  be the given  $\Delta$ .

It is required to inscribe a  $\odot$  in the  $\Delta ABC$ .

Bisect  $\angle s$   $ABC$ ,  $ACB$  by the st. lines  $BO$ ,  $CO$ , meeting in  $O$ . I. 9.

From  $O$  draw  $OD$ ,  $OE$ ,  $OF$ ,  $\perp s$  to  $AB$ ,  $BC$ ,  $CA$ . I. 12.

Then, in  $\Delta s$   $EBO$ ,  $DBO$ ,

$\therefore \angle EBO = \angle DBO$ , and  $\angle BEO = \angle BDO$ , and  $OB$  is common,  
 $\therefore OE = OD$ . I. 26.

Similarly it may be shewn that  $OE = OF$ .

If then a  $\odot$  be described, with centre  $O$ , and radius  $OD$ , this  $\odot$  will pass through the pts.  $D$ ,  $E$ ,  $F$ ;

and  $\therefore$  the  $\angle s$  at  $D$ ,  $E$  and  $F$  are rt.  $\angle s$ ,

$\therefore AB$ ,  $BC$ ,  $CA$  are tangents to the  $\odot$ ; III. 16.

and thus a  $\odot DEF$  may be inscribed in the  $\Delta ABC$ .

Q. E. F.

Ex. 1. Shew that, if  $OA$  be drawn, it will bisect the angle  $BAC$ .

Ex. 2. If a circle be inscribed in a right-angled triangle, the difference between the hypotenuse and the sum of the other sides is equal to the diameter of the circle.

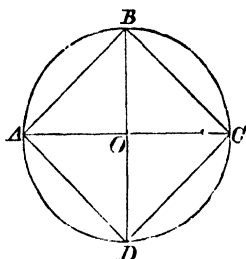
Ex. 3. Shew that, in an equilateral triangle, the centre of the inscribed circle is equidistant from the three angular points.

Ex. 4. Describe a circle, touching one side of a triangle and the other two produced. (NOTE. This is called an *escribed* circle.)

NOTE. Euclid's fifth Proposition of this Book has been already given on page 135.

PROPOSITION VI. PROBLEM.

*To inscribe a square in a given circle.*



Let  $ABCD$  be the given  $\odot$ .

*It is required to inscribe a square in the  $\odot$ .*

Through  $O$ , the centre, draw the diameters  $AC$ ,  $BD$ ,  $\perp$  to each other.

Join  $AB$ ,  $BC$ ,  $CD$ ,  $DA$ .

Then  $\therefore$  the  $\angle$ s at  $O$  are all equal, being rt.  $\angle$ s, I. Post. 4.

$\therefore$  the arcs  $AB$ ,  $BC$ ,  $CD$ ,  $DA$  are all equal, III. 26.

and  $\therefore$  the chords  $AB$ ,  $BC$ ,  $CD$ ,  $DA$  are all equal; III. 29.

and  $\angle ABC$ , being the  $\angle$  in a semicircle, is a rt.  $\angle$ . III. 31.

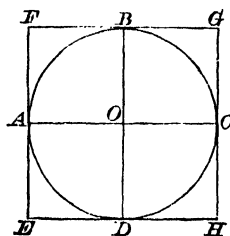
So also the  $\angle$ s  $BCD$ ,  $CDA$ ,  $DAB$  are rt.  $\angle$ s;

$\therefore ABCD$  is a square,

and it is inscribed in the  $\odot$  as was required.

## PROPOSITION VII. PROBLEM.

To describe a square about a given circle.



Let  $ABCD$  be the given  $\odot$ , of which  $O$  is the centre.

It is required to describe a square about the  $\odot$ .

Draw the diameters  $AC, BD$ ,  $\perp$  to each other.

..Through  $A, B, C, D$  draw  $EF, FG, GH, HE$  touching the  $\odot$ .

III. 17.

Then the  $\angle$ s at  $A, B, C, D$  are rt.  $\angle$ s.

III. 16.

Now  $\because$  the  $\angle$ s at  $A, O, C$  are all rt.  $\angle$ s,

$\therefore FE, BD$ , and  $GH$  are all  $\parallel$ ;

I. 27.

and  $\because$  the  $\angle$ s at  $B, O, D$  are all rt.  $\angle$ s,

$\therefore FG, AC$ , and  $EH$  are all  $\parallel$ ;

$\therefore FE$  and  $GH$  each  $= BD$ ,

I. 34.

and  $FG$  and  $EH$  each  $= AC$ .

I. 34.

And  $\because BD = AC$ ,

$\therefore FE, GH, FG, EH$ , are all equal.

Again,  $\because FO$  is a  $\square$ ,

$\therefore \angle AFB = \angle AOB$ ,

I. 34.

and  $\therefore \angle AFB$  is a rt.  $\angle$ .

So also the  $\angle$ s at  $G, H$ , and  $E$  are rt.  $\angle$ s.

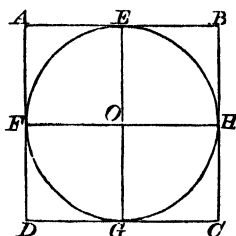
Hence  $EFGH$  is a square, and it is described about the  $\odot$ .

Q. E. F.

Ex. In a given circle inscribe four circles, equal to each other, and in mutual contact with each other and with the given circle.

## PROPOSITION VIII. PROBLEM.

To inscribe a circle in a given square.



Let  $ABCD$  be the given square.

It is required to inscribe a  $\odot$  in the square.

Bisect  $AB$ ,  $AD$  in  $E$ ,  $F$ , I. 10.

and draw  $EG \parallel$  to  $AD$  or  $BC$ , and  $FH \parallel$  to  $AB$  or  $DC$ .  $\therefore$

Let  $EG$  and  $FH$  intersect in  $O$ .

Then  $\therefore AO$  is a  $\square$ ,

$\therefore OE = FA$  and  $OF = EA$ . I. 34.

But  $\therefore AB = AD$ , and  $E$ ,  $F$  are the middle pts. of  $AB$ ,  $AD$ ,

$\therefore FA = EA$ ,

and  $\therefore OE = OF$ .

Similarly, it may be shewn that  $OG = OF$ , and  $OH = OE$ ,

and  $\therefore OE$ ,  $OF$ ,  $OG$ ,  $OH$  are all equal;

and a  $\odot$ , described with centre  $O$  and radius  $OE$ ,

will pass through  $E$ ,  $F$ ,  $G$ ,  $H$ ,

and it will be touched by each of the sides of the square,

$\therefore$  the  $\angle$ s at  $E$ ,  $F$ ,  $G$ ,  $H$  are rt.  $\angle$ s. III. 16.

Thus a  $\odot EFGH$  may be inscribed in the sq.  $ABCD$ .

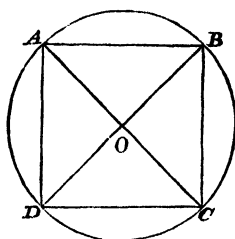
Q. E. F.

Ex. 1. In what parallelograms can circles be inscribed?

Ex. 2. If, from any point in the circumference of a circle, straight lines be drawn to the angular points of the inscribed square, the sum of the squares on these four lines will be double of the square on the diameter.

## PROPOSITION IX. PROBLEM.

*To describe a circle about a given square.*



Let  $ABCD$  be the given square.

*It is required to describe a  $\odot$  about the square.*

Draw the diagonals  $AC$ ,  $BD$ , intersecting each other in  $O$ .

Then  $\therefore \angle DAC = \angle ACD$ , I. A.

and  $\angle BAC = \text{alternate } \angle ACD$ , I. 29.

$\therefore \angle DAC = \angle BAC$ .

Thus the diagonal  $AC$  bisects  $\angle BAD$ ,

and  $\therefore \angle OAB = \text{half a rt. } \angle$ .

Similarly it may be shewn that  $\angle OBA = \text{half a rt. } \angle$ ;

$\therefore \angle OBA = \angle OAB$ ;

$\therefore OA = OB$ . I. B. Cor.

Similarly it may be shewn that  $OC = OB$ , and  $OD = OA$ ;

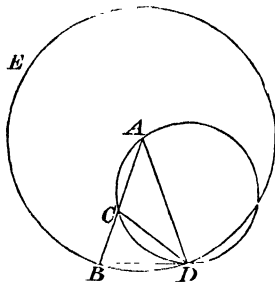
$\therefore OA, OB, OC, OD$  are all equal;

and  $\therefore$  a  $\odot$ , described with centre  $O$  and radius  $OA$ , will pass through  $A, B, C, D$ , and will be described about the square, as was required.



## PROPOSITION X. PROBLEM.

To describe an isosceles triangle, having each of the angles at the base double of the third angle.



Take any st. line  $AB$  and divide it in  $C$ ,  
so that rect.  $AB, BC = \text{sq. on } AC$ . II. 11.

With centre  $A$  and radius  $AB$  describe the  $\odot BDE$ ,  
and in it draw the chord  $BD = AC$ ; and join  $AD$ . IV. 1.

Then will  $\triangle ABD$  have each of the  $\angle$ s at the base double  
of  $\angle BAD$ .

Join  $CD$ , and about the  $\triangle ACD$  describe the  $\odot ACD$ . IV. 5.

Then  $\because$  rect.  $AB, BC = \text{sq. on } AC$ , and  $BD = AC$ ,

$\therefore$  rect.  $AB, BC = \text{sq. on } BD$ ,

and  $\therefore BD$  touches the  $\odot ACD$ . III. 37.

Then  $\because BD$  touches  $\odot ACD$ , and  $DC$  is a chord of the  $\odot$

$\therefore \angle BDC = \angle CAD$ . III. 32.

Add to each  $\angle CDA$ .

Then  $\angle BDA = \text{sum of } \angle \text{s } CAD, CDA$ ,

$\therefore \angle BDA = \angle BCD$ . I. 32.

But  $\angle BDA = \angle CBD$ ; I. A.

$\therefore \angle BCD = \angle CBD$ ,

and  $\therefore BD = CD$ . I. B. Cor.

But  $BD = CA$ ;

$\therefore CA = CD$ ,

and  $\therefore \angle CDA = \angle CAD$ . I. A.

Hence sum of  $\angle \text{s } CDA, CAD = \text{twice } \angle CAD$ ,

$\therefore \angle BCD = \text{twice } \angle BAD$ . I. 32.

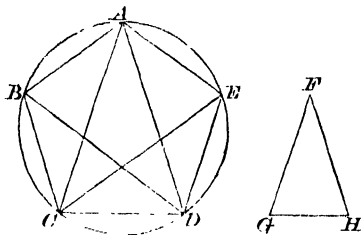
But  $\angle ABD$  and  $\angle ADB$  are each  $= \angle BCD$ ,

$\therefore \angle ABD$  and  $\angle ADB$  are each  $= \text{twice } \angle BAD$ ;

and thus an isosceles  $\triangle ABD$  has been described as was  
required. Q. E. F.

## PROPOSITION XI. PROBLEM.

*To inscribe a regular pentagon in a given circle.*



Let  $ABCDE$  be the given  $\odot$ .

*It is required to inscribe a regular pentagon in the  $\odot$ .*

Make an isosceles  $\triangle FGH$ , having each of the  $\angle$ s at  $G, H$  double of  $\angle$  at  $F$ .

In  $\odot ABCDE$  inscribe a  $\triangle ACD$  equiangular to  $\triangle FGH$ , iv. 2. having  $\angle$ s at  $A, C, D$  = the  $\angle$ s at  $F, G, H$ , respectively. Then  $\angle ADC$  = twice  $\angle DAC$ , and  $\angle ACD$  = twice  $\angle DAC$ .

Bisect the  $\angle$ s  $ADC, ACD$  by the chords  $DB, CE$ .

Join  $AB, BC, DE, EA$ .

Then will  $ABCDE$  be a regular pentagon.

For  $\because \angle$ s  $ADC, ACD$  are each = twice  $\angle DAC$ ,

and  $\angle$ s  $ADC, ACD$  are bisected by  $DB, CE$ ,

$\therefore \angle$ s  $ADB, BDC, DAC, ECD, ACE$ , are all equal ;

and  $\therefore$  arcs  $AB, BC, CD, DE, EA$  are all equal ; III. 26.

and  $\therefore$  chords  $AB, BC, CD, DE, EA$  are all equal. III. 29.

Hence, the pentagon  $ABCDE$  is equilateral.

Again,  $\because$  arc  $CD$  = arc  $AB$ ,

adding to each arc  $AED$ , we have

arc  $AEDC$  = arc  $BAED$ ,

and  $\therefore \angle ABC = \angle BCD$ .

III. 27.

Similarly,  $\angle$ s  $CDE, DEA, EAB$  each =  $\angle ABC$ .

Hence, the pentagon  $ABCDE$  is equiangular.

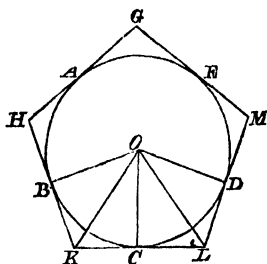
Thus a regular pentagon has been inscribed in the  $\odot$ .

Q. E. F.

Ex. Shew that  $CE$  is parallel to  $BA$ .

## PROPOSITION XII. PROBLEM.

*To describe a regular pentagon about a given circle.*



Let  $ABCDE$  be the given  $\odot$ .

*It is required to describe a regular pentagon about the  $\odot$ .*

Let the angular pts. of a regular pentagon inscribed in the  $\odot$  be at  $A, B, C, D, E$ ,

so that the arcs  $AB, BC, CD, DE, EA$  are all equal.

Through  $A, B, C, D, E$  draw  $GH, HK, KL, LM, MG$  tangents to the  $\odot$ ;

take the centre  $O$ , and join  $OB, OK, OC, OL, OD$ .

Then in  $\Delta$ s  $OBK, OCK$ ,

$\because OB=OC$ , and  $OK$  is common, and  $KB=KC$ ,

I. E. Cor.

$\therefore \angle BKO = \angle CKO$ , and  $\angle BOK = \angle COK$ ,

that is,  $\angle BKC = \text{twice } \angle CKO$ , and  $\angle BOC = \text{twice } \angle COK$ .

So also,  $\angle DLC = \text{twice } \angle CLO$ , and  $\angle DOC = \text{twice } \angle COL$ .

Now  $\because$  arc  $BC =$  arc  $CD$ ,

$$\therefore \angle BOC = \angle DOG,$$

$$\text{and } \therefore \angle COK = \angle COL.$$

Hence in  $\Delta$ s  $OCK, OCL$ ,

$\because \angle COK = \angle COL$ , and  $\text{rt. } \angle OCK = \text{rt. } \angle OCL$ , and  $OC$  is common,

$$\therefore \angle CKO = \angle CLO, \text{ and } OK = OL, \quad \text{I. B.}$$

$$\text{and } \therefore \angle HKL = \angle MLK, \text{ and } KL = \text{twice } KC.$$

Similarly it may be shewn that  $\angle$ s  $KHG, HGM, GML$  each  $= \angle HKL$ ,

$\therefore$  the pentagon  $GHKLM$  is equiangular.

And since it has been shewn that  $KL = \text{twice } KC$ ,

and it can be shewn that  $HK = \text{twice } KB$ ,

$$\text{and } \because KB = KC, \quad \text{I. E. Cor.}$$

$$\therefore HK = KL.$$

In like manner it may be shewn that  $HG, GM, ML$ , each  $= KL$ ,

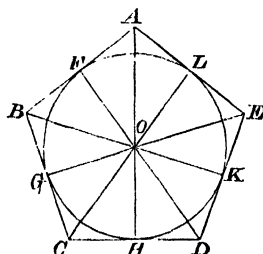
$\therefore$  the pentagon  $GHKLM$  is equilateral.

Thus a regular pentagon has been described about the  $\odot$ .

Q. E. F.

## PROPOSITION XIII. PROBLEM.

To inscribe a circle in a given regular pentagon.



Let  $ABCDE$  be the given regular pentagon.

It is required to inscribe a  $\odot$  in the pentagon.

Bisect  $\angle$ s  $BCD$ ,  $CDE$  by the st. lines  $CO$ ,  $DO$ , meeting in  $O$ .

Join  $OB$ ,  $OA$ ,  $OE$ .

Then, in  $\Delta$ s  $BCO$ ,  $DCO$ ,

$\therefore BC = DC$ , and  $CO$  is common, and  $\angle BCO = \angle DCO$ ,

$\therefore \angle OBC = \angle ODC$ .

I. 4.

Then,  $\therefore \angle ABC = \angle CDE$ ,

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and  $\angle CDE = \text{twice } \angle ODC$ ,

$\therefore \angle ABC = \text{twice } \angle OBC$ .

Hence  $OB$  bisects  $\angle ABC$ .

In the same way we can shew that  $OA$ ,  $OE$  bisect the  $\angle$ s  $BAE$ ,  $AED$ .

Draw  $OF$ ,  $OG$ ,  $OH$ ,  $OK$ ,  $OL$  to  $AB$ ,  $BC$ ,  $CD$ ,  $DE$ ,  $EA$ .

Then, in  $\Delta$ s  $GOC$ ,  $HOC$ ,

$\therefore \angle GCO = \angle HCO$ , and  $\angle OGC = \angle OHC$ ,

and  $OC$  is common,

$\therefore OG = OH$ .

I. 26.

So also it may be shewn that  $OF$ ,  $OL$ ,  $OK$  are each  $= OG$  or  $OH$ ;

$\therefore OF$ ,  $OG$ ,  $OH$ ,  $OK$ ,  $OL$  are all equal.

Hence a  $\odot$  described with centre  $O$  and radius  $OF$

will pass through  $G$ ,  $H$ ,  $K$ ,  $L$ ,

and will touch the sides of the pentagon,

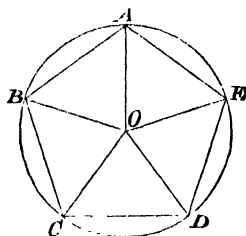
$\therefore$  the  $\angle$ s at  $F$ ,  $G$ ,  $H$ ,  $K$ ,  $L$  are rt.  $\angle$ s.

III. 16.

Thus a  $\odot$  will be inscribed in the pentagon. Q. E. F.

## PROPOSITION XIV. PROBLEM.

*To describe a circle about a given regular pentagon.*



Let  $ABCDE$  be the given regular pentagon.

*It is required to describe a  $\odot$  about the pentagon.*

Bisect the  $\angle$ s  $BCD$ ,  $CDE$  by the st. lines  $CO$ ,  $DO$ , meeting in  $O$ .

Join  $OB$ ,  $OA$ ,  $OE$ .

Then it may be shewn, as in the preceding Proposition, that

$OB$ ,  $OA$ ,  $OE$  bisect the  $\angle$ s  $CBA$ ,  $BAE$ ,  $AED$ .

And  $\therefore \angle BCD = \angle CDE$ ,

and  $\angle OCD = \text{half } \angle BCD$ , and  $\angle ODC = \text{half } \angle CDE$ ,

$\therefore \angle OCD = \angle ODC$ ,

and  $\therefore OD = OC$ .

In the same way we may shew that  $OB$ ,  $OA$ ,  $OE$

each  $= OD$  or  $OC$ ;

$\therefore OA$ ,  $OB$ ,  $OC$ ,  $OD$ ,  $OE$  are all equal,

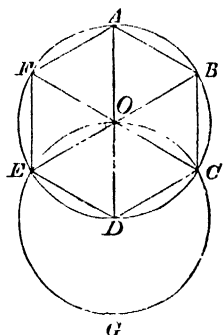
and a  $\odot$  described with centre  $O$  and radius  $OA$  will pass through  $B$ ,  $C$ ,  $D$ ,  $E$ ,

and will be described about the pentagon.

Q. E. F.

## PROPOSITION XV. PROBLEM.

*To inscribe a regular hexagon in a given circle.*



Let  $ABCDEF$  be the given  $\odot$ , of which  $O$  is the centre.

*It is required to inscribe a regular hexagon in the  $\odot$ .*

Draw the diameter  $AD$ ,

and with centre  $D$  and radius  $DO$  describe a  $\odot EOC$

Join  $EO$ ,  $CO$ , and produce them to  $B$  and  $F$ .

Join  $AB$ ,  $BC$ ,  $CD$ ,  $DE$ ,  $EF$ ,  $FA$ .

Then  $\because O$  is the centre of  $\odot ACE$ ,  $\therefore OE = OD$ ;

and  $\because D$  is the centre of  $\odot GCE$ ,  $\therefore OD = DE$ ;

$\therefore OED$  is an equilateral  $\Delta$ ,

and  $\therefore \angle EOD =$  the third part of two rt.  $\angle$  s. I. 32.

So also  $\angle DOC =$  the third part of two rt.  $\angle$  s,

and  $\therefore \angle BOC =$  the third part of two rt.  $\angle$  s. I. 13.

Thus  $\angle$  s  $EOD$ ,  $DOC$ ,  $BOC$  are all equal;

and to these the vertically opposite  $\angle$  s  $BOA$ ,  $AOE$ ,  $FOE$  are equal; I. 15.

$\therefore \angle$  s  $AOB$ ,  $BOC$ ,  $COD$ ,  $DOE$ ,  $EOF$ ,  $FOA$ , are all equal,

and  $\therefore$  arcs  $AB$ ,  $BC$ ,  $CD$ ,  $DE$ ,  $EF$ ,  $FA$  are all equal.

III. 26.

and  $\therefore$  chords  $AB$ ,  $BC$ ,  $CD$ ,  $DE$ ,  $EF$ ,  $FA$  are all equal.

III. 29.

Thus the hexagon  $ABCDEF$  is equilateral.

Also  $\because$  each of its  $\angle$  s = two-thirds of two rt.  $\angle$  s,

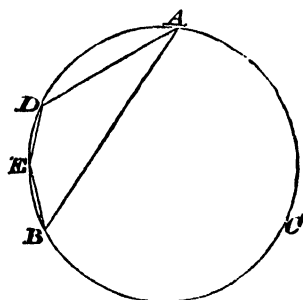
$\therefore$  the hexagon  $ABCDEF$  is equiangular.

Thus a regular hexagon has been inscribed in the  $\odot$ .

Q. E. F.

## PROPOSITION XVI. PROBLEM.

*To inscribe a regular quindecagon in a given circle.*



Let  $ABC$  be the given  $\odot$ .

*It is required to inscribe in the  $\odot$  a regular quindecagon.*

Let  $AB$  be the side of an equilateral  $\triangle$  inscribed in the  $\odot$ ,  
IV. 2

and  $AD$  the side of a regular pentagon inscribed in the  $\odot$ .  
IV. 11.

Then of such equal parts as the whole  $\text{Oce } ABC$  contains fifteen,

arc  $ADB$  must contain five,

and arc  $AD$  must contain three,

and  $\therefore$  arc  $DB$ , their difference, must contain two.

Bisect arc  $DB$  in  $E$ . III. 30.

Then arcs  $DE$ ,  $EB$  are each the fifteenth part of the whole  $\text{Oce}$ .

If then chords  $DE$ ,  $EB$  be drawn,  
and chords equal to them be placed all round the  $\text{Oce}$ , IV. 1.

a regular quindecagon will be inscribed in the  $\odot$ .



*Miscellaneous Exercises on Book IV.*

1. The perpendiculars let fall on the sides of an equilateral triangle from the centre of the circle, described about the triangle, are equal.
2. Inscribe a circle in a given regular octagon.
3. Shew that in the diagram of Prop. X. there is a second triangle, which has each of two of its angles double of the third.
4. Describe a circle about a given rectangle.
5. Shew that the diameter of the circle which is described about an isosceles triangle, which has its vertical angle double of either of the angles at the base, is equal to the base of the triangle.
6. The side of the equilateral triangle, described about a circle, is double of the side of the equilateral triangle, inscribed in the circle.
7. A quadrilateral figure may have a circle described about it, if the rectangles contained by the segments of the diagonals be equal.
8. The square on the side of an equilateral triangle, inscribed in a circle, is triple of the square on the side of the regular hexagon, inscribed in the same circle.
9. Inscribe a circle in a given rhombus.
10.  $ABC$  is an equilateral triangle inscribed in a circle; tangents to the circle at  $A$  and  $B$  meet in  $M$ . Shew that a diameter drawn from  $M$ , and meeting the circumference in  $D$  and  $C$ , bisects the angle  $AMB$ , and that  $DC$  is equal to twice  $MD$ .
11. Compare the areas of two regular hexagons, one inscribed in, the other described about, a given circle.
12. Inscribe a square in a given semicircle.
13. A circle being given, describe six other circles, each of them equal to it, and in contact with each other and with the given circle.

14. Given the angles of a triangle, and the perpendiculars from any point on the three sides, construct the triangle.

15. Having given the radius of a circle, determine its centre, when the circle touches two given lines, which are not parallel.

16. If the distance between the centres of two circles, which cut one another at right angles, is equal to twice one of the radii, the common chord is the side of the regular hexagon, inscribed in one of the circles, and the side of the equilateral triangle, inscribed in the other.

17. If from  $O$ , the centre of the circle inscribed in a triangle  $ABC$ ,  $OD$ ,  $OE$ ,  $OF$  be drawn perpendicular to the sides  $BC$ ,  $CA$ ,  $AB$ , respectively, and from any point  $P$  in  $OP$ , drawn parallel to  $AB$ , perpendiculars  $PQ$ ,  $PR$  be drawn upon  $OD$  and  $OE$  respectively, or these produced, shew that the triangle  $QRO$  is equiangular to the triangle  $ABC$ .

*Euclid Papers set in the Mathematical Tripos at Cambridge  
from 1848 to 1872.*

QUESTIONS arising out of the Propositions, to which they are attached, have been proposed in the Euclid Papers to Candidates for Mathematical Honours since the year 1848.

A complete set of these questions, so far as they refer to Books I.-IV., is here given. The figures preceding each question denote the particular Proposition to which the question was attached. It is expected that the solution of each question is to be obtained mainly by using the Proposition which precedes it, and that no Proposition which comes later in Euclid's order should be assumed.

Of some of the questions here given we have already made use in the preceding pages. As examples, however, of what has been hitherto expected of Candidates for Honours, and in order to keep the series of Papers complete, we have not hesitated to repeat them.

1848. I. 34. If the two diagonals be drawn, shew that a parallelogram will be divided into four equal parts. In what case will the diagonal bisect the angles of the parallelogram?
- III. 15. Shew that all equal straight lines in a circle will be touched by another circle.
- III. 20. If two straight lines  $AEB$ ,  $CED$  in a circle intersect in  $E$ , the angles subtended by  $AC$  and  $BD$  at the centre are together double of the angle  $AEC$ .

1849. I. 1. By a method similar to that used in this problem, describe on a given finite straight line an isosceles triangle, the sides of which shall be each equal to twice the base.
- II. 11. Shew that in Euclid's figure four other lines beside the given line, are divided in the required manner.
- IV. 4. Describe a circle touching one side of a triangle and the produced parts of the other two.
1850. I. 34. If the opposite sides, or the opposite angles, of any quadrilateral figure be equal, or if its diagonals bisect each other, the quadrilateral is a parallelogram.
- II. 14. Given a square, and one side of a rectangle which is equal to the square, find the other side.
- III. 31. The greatest rectangle that can be inscribed in a circle is a square.
- III. 34. Divide a circle into two segments such that the angle in one of them shall be five times the angle in the other.
- IV. 10. Shew that the base of the triangle is equal to the side of a regular pentagon inscribed in the smaller circle of the figure.
1851. I. 38. Let  $ABC$ ,  $ABD$  be two equal triangles, upon the same base  $AB$  and on opposite sides of it: join  $CD$ , meeting  $AB$  in  $E$ : shew that  $CE$  is equal to  $ED$ .
- I. 47. If  $ABC$  be a triangle, whose angle  $A$  is a right angle, and  $BE$ ,  $CF$  be drawn bisecting the opposite sides respectively, shew that four times the sum of the squares on  $BE$  and  $CF$  is equal to five times the square on  $BC$ .
- III. 22. If a polygon of an even number of sides be inscribed in a circle, the sum of the alternate angles together with two right angles is equal to as many right angles as the figure has sides.

1851. iv. 16. In a given circle inscribe a triangle, whose angles are as the numbers 2, 5 and 8.
1852. i. 42. Divide a triangle by two straight lines into three parts, which, when properly arranged, shall form a parallelogram whose angles are of given magnitude.
- ii. 12. Triangles are described on the same base and having the difference of the squares on the other sides constant : shew that the vertex of any triangle is in one or other of two fixed straight lines.
- iv. 3. Two equilateral triangles are described about the same circle : shew that their intersections will form a hexagon equilateral, but not generally equiangular.
1853. i. B. Cor. If lines be drawn through the extremities of the base of an isosceles triangle, making angles with it, on the side remote from the vertex, each equal to one third of one of the equal angles, and meeting the sides produced, prove that three of the triangles thus formed are isosceles.
- i. 29. Through two given points draw two lines, forming with a line, given in position, an equilateral triangle.
- ii. 11. In the figure, if  $H$  be the point of division of the given line  $AB$ , and  $DA$  be the side of the square which is bisected in  $E$  and produced to  $F$ , and if  $DH$  be produced to meet  $BF$  in  $L$ , prove that  $DL$  is perpendicular to  $BF$ , and is divided by  $BE$  similarly to the given line.
- iii. 32. Through a given point without a circle draw a chord such that the difference of the angles in the two segments, into which it divides the circle, may be equal to a given angle.
- iii. 36. From a given point as centre describe a circle cutting a given line in two points, so that the rectangle contained by their distances from a fixed point in the line may be equal to a given square

1854. i. 43. If  $K$  be the common angular point of the parallelograms about the diameter, and  $BD$  the other diameter, the difference of the parallelograms is equal to twice the triangle  $BKD$ .
- ii. 11. Produce a given straight line to a point such that the rectangle contained by the whole line thus produced and the part produced shall be equal to the square on the given straight line.
- iii. 22. If the opposite sides of the quadrilateral be produced to meet in  $P$ ,  $Q$ , and about the triangles so formed without the quadrilateral circles be described meeting again in  $R$ , shew that  $P$ ,  $R$ ,  $Q$  will be in one straight line.
- iv. 10. Upon a given straight line, as base, describe an isosceles triangle having the third angle treble of each of the angles at the base.
1855. i. 20. Prove that the sum of the distances of any point from the three angles of a triangle is greater than half the perimeter of the triangle.
- i. 47. If a line be drawn parallel to the hypotenuse of a right-angled triangle, and each of the acute angles be joined with the points where this line intersects the sides respectively opposite to them, the squares on the joining lines are together equal to the squares on the hypotenuse and on the line drawn parallel to it.
- ii. 9. Divide a given straight line into two parts, such that the square on one of them may be double of the square on the other, without employing the Sixth Book.
- iii. 27. If any number of triangles, upon the same base  $BC$ , and on the same side of it, have their vertical angles equal, and perpendiculars meeting in  $D$  be drawn from  $B$ ,  $C$  upon the opposite sides, find the locus of  $D$ , and shew that all the lines which bisect the angle  $BDC$  pass through the same point.

1855. iv. 4. If the circle inscribed in a triangle  $ABC$  touch the sides  $AB$ ,  $AC$  in the points  $D$ ,  $E$ , and a straight line be drawn from  $A$  to the centre of the circle, meeting the circumference in  $G$ , shew that  $G$  is the centre of the circle inscribed in the triangle  $ADE$ .
1856. i. 34. Of all parallelograms, which can be formed with diameters of given length, the rhombus is the greatest.
- ii. 12. If  $AB$ , one of the equal sides of an isosceles triangle  $ABC$ , be produced beyond the base to  $D$ , so that  $BD=AB$ , shew that the square on  $CD$  is equal to the square on  $AB$  together with twice the square on  $BC$ .
- iv. 15. Shew how to derive the hexagon from an equilateral triangle inscribed in the circle, and from this construction shew that the side of the hexagon equals the radius of the circle, and that the hexagon is double of the triangle.
1857. i. 35.  $ABC$  is an isosceles triangle, of which  $A$  is the vertex:  $AB$ ,  $AC$  are bisected in  $D$  and  $E$  respectively;  $BE$ ,  $CD$  intersect in  $F$ : shew that the triangle  $ADE$  is equal to three times the triangle  $DEF$ .
- ii. 13. The base of a triangle is given, and is bisected by the centre of a given circle, the circumference of which is the locus of the vertex: prove that the sum of the squares on the two sides of the triangle is invariable.
- iii. 22. Prove that the sum of the angles in the four segments of the circle, exterior to the quadrilateral, is equal to six right angles.
- iv. 4. Circles are inscribed in the two triangles formed by drawing a perpendicular from an angle of a triangle upon the opposite side, and analogous circles are described in relation to the two other like perpendiculars: prove that the

sum of the diameters of the six circles together with the sum of the sides of the original triangle is equal to twice the sum of the three perpendiculars.

1858. I. 28. Assuming as an axiom that two straight lines cannot both be parallel to the same straight line, deduce Euclid's sixth postulate as a corollary of the proposition referred to.
- II. 7. Produce a given straight line, so that the sum of the squares on the given line and the part produced may be equal to twice the rectangle contained by the whole line thus produced and the produced part.
- III. 19. Describe a circle, which shall touch a given straight line at a given point and bisect the circumference of a given circle.
1859. I. 41. Trisect a parallelogram by straight lines drawn from one of its angular points.
- II. 13. Prove that, in any quadrilateral, the squares on the diagonals are together equal to twice the sum of the squares on the straight lines joining the middle points of opposite sides.
- III. 31. Two equal circles touch each other externally, and through the point of contact chords are drawn, one to each circle, at right angles to each other: prove that the straight line, joining the other extremities of these chords, is equal and parallel to the straight line joining the centres of the circles.
- IV. 4. Triangles are constructed on the same base with equal vertical angles: prove that the locus of the centres of the escribed circles, each of which touches one of the sides externally and the other side and base produced, is an arc of a circle, the centre of which is on the circumference of the circle circumscribing the triangles.



1860. I. 35. If a straight line  $DME$  be drawn through the middle point  $M$  of the base  $BC$  of a triangle  $ABC$ , so as to cut off equal parts  $AD$ ,  $AE$  from the sides  $AB$ ,  $AC$ , produced if necessary, respectively, then shall  $BD$  be equal to  $CE$ .
- II. 14. Shew how to construct a rectangle which shall be equal to a given square; (1) when the sum, and (2) when the difference of two adjacent sides is given.
- III. 36. If two chords  $AB$ ,  $AC$  be drawn from any point  $A$  of a circle, and be produced to  $D$  and  $E$ , so that the rectangle  $AC$ ,  $AE$  is equal to the rectangle  $AB$ ,  $AD$ , then, if  $O$  be the centre of the circle,  $AO$  is perpendicular to  $DE$ .
- IV 10. If  $A$  be the vertex, and  $BD$  the base of the constructed triangle,  $D$  being one of the points of intersection of the two circles employed in the construction, and  $E$  the other, and  $AE$  be drawn meeting  $BD$  produced in  $F$ , prove that  $FAB$  is another isosceles triangle of the same kind.
- 1861 I. 32. If  $ABC$  be a triangle, in which  $C$  is a right angle, shew how, by means of Book I., to draw a straight line parallel to a given straight line so as to be terminated by  $CA$  and  $CB$  and bisected by  $AB$ .
- II. 13. If  $ABC$  be a triangle, in which  $C$  is a right angle, and  $DE$  be drawn from a point  $D$  in  $AC$  at right angles to  $AB$ , prove, without using Book III., that the rectangles  $AB$ ,  $AE$  and  $AC$ ,  $AD$  will be equal.
- III. 32. Two circles intersect in  $A$  and  $B$ , and  $CBD$  is drawn perpendicular to  $AB$  to meet the circles in  $C$  and  $D$ ; if  $AEF$  bisect either the interior or exterior angle between  $CA$  and  $DA$ , prove that the tangents to the circles at  $E$  and  $F$  intersect in a point on  $AB$  produced.

1861. iv. 4. Describe a circle touching the side  $BC$  of the triangle  $ABC$ , and the other two sides produced, and prove that the distance between the points of contact of the side  $BC$  with the inscribed circle, and the latter circle, is equal to the difference between the sides  $AB$  and  $AC$ .
1862. i. 4. Upon the sides  $AB$ ,  $BC$ , and  $CD$  of a parallelogram  $ABCD$ , three equilateral triangles are described, that on  $BC$  towards the same parts as the parallelogram, and those on  $AB$ ,  $CD$  towards the opposite parts. Prove that the distances of the vertices of the triangles on  $AB$ ,  $CD$ , from that on  $BC$ , are respectively equal to the two diagonals of the parallelogram. .
- ii. 10. Divide a given straight line into two parts, so that the squares on the whole line and on one of the parts may be together double of the square on the other part.
- iii. 28. A triangle is turned about its vertex, until one of the sides intersecting in that vertex is in the same straight line as the other previously was : prove that the line, joining the vertex with the point of intersection of the two positions of the base, produced if necessary, bisects the angle between these two positions.
- iv. 10. Prove that the smaller of the two circles, employed in Euclid's construction, is equal to the circle described about the required triangle.
1863. i. 47. Two triangles  $ABC$ ,  $A'B'C'$  have their sides respectively parallel.  $BB_1$ ,  $CC_1$  are drawn perpendicular to  $B'C'$ ;  $CC_2$ ,  $AA_2$  to  $C'A'$ ; and  $AA_3$ ,  $BB_3$  to  $A'B'$ . Prove that the sum of the squares on  $AB_1$ ,  $BC_2$ ,  $CA_3$  together, is equal to the sum of those on  $AC_1$ ,  $BA_2$ ,  $CB_3$  together.
- ii. 11. Divide a given straight line into two parts, such

that the rectangle contained by the whole and one part may be equal to that contained by the other part and a given straight line.

1863. III. 28. Two equal circles intersect in  $A, B$ ;  $PQT$  perpendicular to  $AB$  meets it in  $T$ , and the circles in  $P, Q$ .  $AP, BQ$  meet in  $R$ ;  $AQ, BP$  in  $S$ : prove that the angle  $RTS$  is bisected by  $TP$ .
1864. I. 38. If a quadrilateral figure have two sides parallel, and the parallel sides be bisected, the line joining the points of bisection shall pass through the point in which the diagonals cut one another.
- II. 14. Divide a given straight line (when possible) into three parts such that the rectangle contained by two of them shall be equal to a given rectilineal figure, and that the squares on these two parts shall together be equal to the square on the third.
- III. 36. If from a given point  $A$  without a given circle any two straight lines  $APQ, ARS$ , be drawn, making equal angles with the diameter which passes through  $A$ , and cutting the circle in  $P, Q$ , and  $R, S$ , respectively, then  $PS, QR$ , shall cut one another in a given point.
- IV. 11. If a figure of any odd number of sides have all its angular points on the same circle, and all its angles equal, then shall its sides be equal.
1865. I. 20. Give a geometrical construction for finding a point in a given straight line, the difference of the distances of which from two given points on the same side of the line shall be the greatest possible.
- II. 12. The base  $BC$  of an isosceles triangle  $ABC$  is produced to a point  $D$ ;  $AD$  is joined, and in  $AD$  a point  $E$  is taken, such that the rectangle  $AD, AE$ , is equal to the square on either of the equal sides  $AB, AC$ , of the triangle;

prove that the rectangle  $BD, CD$  is equal to the rectangle  $AD, ED$ .

1865. III. 18. A given straight line is drawn at right angles to the straight line joining the centres of two given circles : prove that the difference between the squares on two tangents drawn, one to each circle, from any point on the given straight line, is constant.

IV. 5. Having given one side of a triangle, and the centre of the circumscribed circle, determine the locus of the centre of the inscribed circle.

1866. I. 33. Prove that a quadrilateral, which has two opposite sides and two opposite obtuse angles equal, is a parallelogram.

Shew that the figure is not necessarily a parallelogram, if the equal angles are acute.

II. 9. Prove this also by superposition of the squares or their halves.

III. 32. If four circles be drawn, each passing through three out of four given points, the angle between the tangents at the intersection of two of the circles is equal to the angle between the tangents at the intersection of the other two circles.

IV. 2. In a given circle inscribe a triangle such that two of the sides of the triangle shall pass through given points and the third side be at a given distance from the centre of the given circle.

1867. I. 16. Any two exterior angles of a triangle are together greater than two right angles.

I. 43. What is the greatest value which these complements, for a given parallelogram, can have ?

II. 11. Divide a given straight line into two parts such that the squares on the whole line and on one of the parts shall be together double of the square on the other part.

1867. III. 22. If the chords, which bisect two angles of a triangle inscribed in a circle, be equal, prove that either the angles are equal, or the third angle is equal to the angle of an equilateral triangle.
1868. I. 41.  $OKBM$  and  $OLDN$  are parallelograms about the diameter of a parallelogram  $ABCD$ . In  $MN$ , which is parallel to  $BA$ , take any point  $P$  and prove that, if  $PC$ , produced if necessary, meet  $KL$  in  $Q$ ,  $BP$  will be parallel to  $DQ$ .
- II. 12. In a triangle  $ABC$ ,  $D$ ,  $E$ ,  $F$  are the middle points of the sides  $BC$ ,  $CA$ ,  $AB$  respectively, and  $K$ ,  $L$ ,  $M$  are the feet of the perpendiculars on the same sides from the opposite angles. Prove that the greatest of the rectangles contained by  $BC$  and  $DK$ ,  $CA$  and  $EL$ ,  $AB$  and  $FM$ , is equal to the sum of the other two.
- III. 35. Through a point within a circle, draw a chord, such that the rectangle contained by the whole chord and one part may be equal to a given square.  
Determine the necessary limits to the magnitude of this square.
- IV. 4. If two triangles  $ABC$ ,  $A'B'C'$  be inscribed in the same circle, so that  $AA'$ ,  $BB'$ ,  $CC'$  meet in one point  $O$ , prove that, if  $O$  be the centre of the inscribed circle of one of the triangles, it will be the centre of the perpendiculars of the other.
1869. I. 40.  $ABC$  is a triangle,  $E$  and  $F$  are two points; if the sum of the triangles  $ABE$  and  $BCE$  be equal to the sum of the triangles  $ABF$  and  $BCF$ , then under certain conditions  $EF$  will be parallel to  $AC$ . Find these conditions, and determine when the difference instead of the sum of the triangles must be taken.

1869. II. 11. Shew that the point of section lies between the extremities of the line.
- III. 33. An acute-angled triangle is inscribed in a circle, and the paper is folded along each of the sides of the triangle: Shew that the circumferences of the three segments will pass through the same point. State the equivalent proposition for an obtuse-angled triangle.
- IV. 11. Shew that the circles, each of which touches two sides of a regular pentagon at the extremities of a third, meet in a point.
1870. I. 26.  $ABCD$  is a square and  $E$  a point in  $BC$ ; a straight line  $EF$  is drawn at right angles to  $AE$ , and meets the straight line, which bisects the angle between  $CD$  and  $BC$  produced in a point  $F$ : prove that  $AE$  is equal to  $EF$ .
- II. 9. The diagonals of a quadrilateral meet in  $E$ , and  $F$  is the middle point of the straight line joining the middle points of the diagonals: prove that the sum of the squares on the straight lines joining  $E$  to the angular points of the quadrilateral is greater than the sum of the squares on the straight lines joining  $F$  to the same points by four times the square on  $EF$ .
- III. 32.  $AB$ ,  $CD$  are parallel diameters of two circles, and  $AC$  cuts the circles in  $P$ ,  $Q$ : prove that the tangents to the circles at  $P$ ,  $Q$  are parallel.
- IV. 10. Hence shew how to describe an equilateral and equiangular pentagon about a circle without first inscribing one.
1871. I. 38. Through the angular points  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $C$ , of a triangle are drawn three parallel straight lines meeting the opposite sides in  $A'$ ,  $B'$ ,  $C'$  respectively: prove that the triangles  $ABC'$ ,  $BCA'$ ,  $CA'B'$  are all equal.
- II. 10. Produce a given straight line so that the square on the whole line thus produced may be double the square on the part produced.

1871. III. 32. The opposite sides of a quadrilateral inscribed in a circle are produced to meet in  $P$ ,  $Q$ , and about the four triangles thus formed circles are described : prove that the tangents to these circles at  $P$  and  $Q$  form a quadrilateral equal in all respects to the original, and that the line joining the centres of the circles, about the two quadrilaterals, bisects  $PQ$ .
- IV. 5. A triangle is inscribed in a given circle so as to have its centre of perpendiculars at a given point : prove that the middle points of its sides lie on a fixed circle.
1872. I. 47 If  $CE$ ,  $BD$  be the squares described upon the side  $AC$ , and the hypotenuse  $AB$ , and if  $EB$ ,  $CD$  intersect in  $F$ , prove that  $AF$  bisects the angle  $EPD$ .
- III. 22. Two circles intersect in  $A$ ,  $B$  :  $PAP'$ ,  $QAQ'$  are drawn equally inclined to  $AB$  to meet the circles in  $P$ ,  $P'$ ,  $Q$ ,  $Q'$  : prove that  $PP'$  is equal to  $QQ'$ .
- IV. 4. Having given an angular point of a triangle, the circumscribed circle, and the centre of the inscribed circle, construct the triangle.

# BOOK V.

## SECTION I.

### *On Multiples and Equimultiples.*

DEF. I. A GREATER magnitude is a *Multiple* of a less magnitude, when the greater contains the less an exact number of times.

DEF. II. A LESS magnitude is a *Sub-multiple* of a greater magnitude, when the less is contained an exact number of times in the greater.

These definitions are applicable not merely to Geometrical magnitudes, such as Lines, Angles, and Triangles ; but also to such as are included in the ordinary sense of the word Magnitude, that is, anything which is made up of parts like itself, such as a Distance, a Weight, or a Sum of Money.

### POSTULATE.

Any one magnitude being given, let it be granted that any number of other magnitudes may be found, each of which is equal to the first.

### METHOD OF NOTATION.

Let  $A$  represent a magnitude, not as one of the letters used in Algebra to represent the *measure* of a magnitude, but let  $A$  stand for the magnitude itself. Thus, if we regard  $A$  as representing a weight, we mean, not the *number* of pounds contained in the weight, but the weight itself.



Let the words  $A, B$  together represent the magnitude obtained by putting the magnitude  $B$  to the magnitude  $A$ .

Let  $A, A$  together be abbreviated into  $2A$ ,

$A, A, A$  together .....  $3A$ ,

and so on.

Let  $A, A$ .....repeated  $m$  times be denoted by  $mA$ ,  
 $m$  standing for a whole number.

Let  $mA, mA$ .....repeated  $n$  times be denoted by  $nmA$ ,  
 where  $nm$  stands for the arithmetical product of the whole numbers  $n$  and  $m$ .

Let  $(m+n)A$  stand for the magnitude obtained by putting  $nA$  to  $mA$ ,  $m$  and  $n$  standing for whole numbers.

These, and these only, are the symbols by which we propose to shorten and simplify the proofs of this Book: capital letters standing, in all cases, for *magnitudes*; and small letters standing for *whole numbers*.

### SCALES OF MULTIPLES.

By taking a number of magnitudes each equal to  $A$ , and putting two, three, four.....of them together, we obtain a set of magnitudes, depending upon  $A$ , and all known when  $A$  is known; namely,

$A, 2A, 3A, 4A, 5A$ .....and so on;

each being obtained by putting  $A$  to the preceding one.

This we call the SCALE OF MULTIPLES of  $A$ .

If  $m$  be a whole number,  $mA$  and  $mB$  are called *Equimultiples* of  $A$  and  $B$ , or, the *same* multiples of  $A$  and  $B$  respectively.

### AXIOMS.

1. Equimultiples of the same, or of equal magnitudes, are equal to one another.

2. Those magnitudes, of which the same, or equal, magnitudes are equimultiples, are equal to one another.

3. A multiple of a greater magnitude is greater than the same multiple of a less.

4. That magnitude, of which a multiple is greater than the same multiple of another, is greater than that other magnitude.

NOTE 1. If  $A$  and  $B$  be two commensurable magnitudes, it is easy to show that there is *some* multiple of  $A$ , which is equal to *some* multiple of  $B$ .

For let  $M$  be a common measure of  $A$  and  $B$ ; then the scale of multiples of  $M$  is

$$M, 2M, 3M, \dots$$

Now *one* of the multiples in this scale, suppose  $pM$ , is equal to  $A$ , and *one* ..... suppose  $qM$ , .....  $B$ .

Hence the multiple  $qpM$  is equal to  $qA$ , V. Ax. 1.

and the same multiple\* is equal to  $pB$ ;

and therefore  $qA = pB$ . I. Ax. 1.

### PROPOSITION I. (Eucl. v. 1.)

*If any number of magnitudes be equimultiples of as many, each of each; whatever multiple any one of them is of its sub-multiple, the same multiple must all the first magnitudes, taken together, be of all the other, taken together.*

Let  $A$  be the same multiple of  $C$  that  $B$  is of  $D$ .

Then must  $A, B$  together be the same multiple of  $C, D$  together that  $A$  is of  $C$ .

Let  $A = C, C, C, \dots$  repeated  $m$  times.

Then  $B = D, D, D, \dots$  repeated  $m$  times.

$\therefore A, B$  together  $= C, D; C, D; C, D; \dots$  repeated  $m$  times

$\therefore A, B$  together is the same multiple of  $C, D$  together that  $A$  is of  $C$ .

Q. E. D.

## PROPOSITION II. (Eucl. v. 2.)

*If the first be the same multiple of the second that the third is of the fourth, and the fifth the same multiple of the second that the sixth is of the fourth ; the first together with the fifth must be the same multiple of the second, that the third together with the sixth is of the fourth.*

Let  $A, B, C, D, E, F$  be six magnitudes, such that  
 $A$  is the same multiple of  $B$ , that  $C$  is of  $D$ , and  
 $E$  is the same multiple of  $B$ , that  $F$  is of  $D$ .

*Then must  $A, E$  together be the same multiple of  $B$ , that  $C, F$  together is of  $D$ .*

Let  $A = B, B, B, \dots$  repeated  $m$  times ;

then  $C = D, D, D, \dots$  repeated  $m$  times.

Also, let  $E = B, B, B, \dots$  repeated  $n$  times ;

then  $F = D, D, D, \dots$  repeated  $n$  times.

$\therefore A, E$  together  $= B, B, B, \dots$  repeated  $m + n$  times, . .  
 and  $C, F$  together  $= D, D, D, \dots$  repeated  $m + n$  times.

$\therefore A, E$  together is the same multiple of  $B$ ,  
 that  $C, F$  together is of  $D$ .

Q. E. D.

## PROPOSITION III. (Eucl. v. 3.)

*If the first be the same multiple of the second that the third is of the fourth ; and if of the first and third there be taken equimultiples, these must be equimultiples, the one of the second, and the other of the fourth.*

Let  $A$  be the same multiple of  $B$  that  $C$  is of  $D$  ;  
 and let  $E$  and  $F$  be taken equimultiples of  $A$  and  $C$ .

*Then must  $E$  and  $F$  be equimultiples of  $B$  and  $D$ .*

For let  $A = B, B, \dots$  repeated  $m$  times  $= mB$  ;

then  $C = D, D, \dots$  repeated  $m$  times  $= mD$ .

Again, let  $E = A, A, \dots$  repeated  $n$  times ;

then  $F = C, C, \dots$  repeated  $n$  times.

$\therefore E = mB, mB, \dots$  repeated  $n$  times  $= nmB$  ;

and  $F = mD, mD, \dots$  repeated  $n$  times  $= nmD$ .

$\therefore E$  is the same multiple of  $B$  that  $F$  is of  $D$ .

Q. E. D.

## SECTION II.

*On Ratio and Proportion.*

DEF. III. If  $A$  and  $B$  be magnitudes of the same kind, the relative greatness of  $A$  with respect to  $B$  is called the **RATIO** of  $A$  to  $B$ .

NOTE 2. When  $A$  and  $B$  are *commensurable*, we can estimate their relative greatness by considering what multiples they are of some common standard. But as this method is not applicable when  $A$  and  $B$  are *incommensurable*, we have to adopt a more general method, applicable both to commensurable and incommensurable magnitudes.

If  $A$  and  $B$  be magnitudes of the same kind, commensurable or incommensurable, the scale of multiples of  $A$  is

$$A, 2A \dots mA, (m+1)A \dots 2mA, (2m+1)A \dots 3mA \dots nmA \dots$$

and the Ratio of  $B$  to  $A$  is estimated by considering the position which  $B$ , or some multiple of  $B$ , occupies among the multiples of  $A$ .

If  $A$  and  $B$  be commensurable, a multiple of  $B$  can be found, such that it would occupy *the same place* among the multiples of  $A$ , which is occupied by *some one* of the multiples of  $A$ ; that is, this particular multiple of  $B$  represents the same magnitude as that, which is represented by *some one* of the multiples of  $A$ . See Note 1, p. 213.

If, for example, the 7th multiple in the scale of  $B$  represents the same magnitude as that which is represented by the 5th multiple in the scale of  $A$ , or in other words, if  $7B = 5A$ , we are enabled to form an exact notion of the greatness of  $B$  relatively to  $A$ .

When  $A$  and  $B$  are incommensurable, the relation  $mA = nB$  can have no existence; that is, no pair of multiples, one in each of the scales of multiples of  $A$  and  $B$ , represent the same magnitude. But we can always determine whether a *particular* multiple of  $B$  be greater or less than some one of the multiples of  $A$ ; that is, we can always find between what two successive multiples of  $A$  any given multiple of  $B$  lies.

Hence, whether  $A$  and  $B$  be commensurable or incommensurable, we can always form a *third* scale, in which the multiples of  $B$  are distributed among the multiples of  $A$ .

Suppose, for example, we discover the following relations between particular multiples of  $A$  and  $B$ :

$B$  greater than  $A$  and less than  $2A$ ,  
 $2B$  greater than  $3A$  and less than  $4A$ ,  
 $3B$  greater than  $5A$  and less than  $6A$ ,

and so on; the *third* scale will commence thus

$A, B, 2A, 3A, 2B, 4A, 5A, 3B, 6A,$

and so on; the scale not being formed by any law, but constructed by special calculations for each term.

Such a scale we call the SCALE OF RELATION of  $A$  and  $B$ , and we give the following DEFINITION:—

The Scale of Relation of two magnitudes of the same kind is a list of the multiples of both *ad infinitum*, all arranged in order of magnitude, so that any multiple of either magnitude being assigned, the scale of relation points out between which multiples of the other it lies.

NOTE 3. It may here be remarked that, if  $A$  and  $B$  be two *finite* magnitudes of the *same* kind, however small  $B$  may be, we may, by continuing the scale of multiples of  $B$  sufficiently far, at length obtain a multiple of  $B$  greater than  $A$ .

Also, if  $B$  be less than  $A$ , one multiple at least of the scale of  $B$  will lie between each two consecutive multiples of the scale of  $A$ . From these considerations we shall be justified in assuming

- (1.) That we can always take  $mB$  greater than  $A$  or than  $pA$ .
- (2.) That we can always take  $nB$  such that it is greater than  $pA$  but not greater than  $qA$ , provided that  $B$  is less than  $A$ , and  $p$  than  $q$ .

We can now make an important addition to Definition III., so that it will run thus :—

If  $A$  and  $B$  be magnitudes of the same kind, the relative greatness of  $A$  with respect to  $B$  is called the Ratio of  $A$  to  $B$ , and this Ratio is determined by, that is, depends solely upon, the order in which the multiples of  $A$  and  $B$  occur in the Scale of Relation of  $A$  and  $B$ .

DEF. IV. Magnitudes are said to have a Ratio to each other, which can, being multiplied, exceed each the other.

This definition is inserted to point out that a ratio cannot exist between two magnitudes unless two conditions be fulfilled :—first, the magnitudes must be of the same kind ; secondly, neither of them may be infinitely large or infinitely small. See Note 3.

DEF. V. When there are four magnitudes, and when any equimultiples of the first and third being taken, and any equimultiples of the second and fourth, if, when the multiple of the first is greater than that of the second, the multiple of the third is greater than that of the fourth, and when the multiple of the first is equal to that of the second, the multiple of the third is equal to that of the fourth, and when the multiple of the first is less than that of the second, the multiple of the third is less than that of the fourth, then the first of the original four magnitudes is said to have to the second the same ratio which the third has to the fourth.

NOTE 4.—To make Def. v. clearer we give the following illustration. Suppose  $A, B, C, D$  to be four magnitudes; the scales of their multiples will then be—

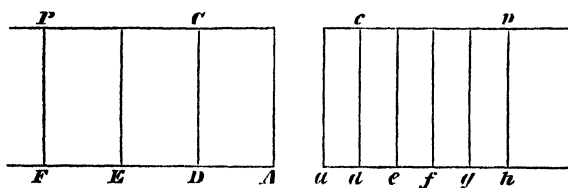
$A, 2A, 3A \dots m A \dots$ ,  
 $B, 2B, 3B \dots n B \dots$ ,  
 $C, 2C, 3C \dots m C \dots$ ,  
 $D, 2D, 3D \dots n D \dots$ ;

where  $m A, m C$  stand for *any* equimultiples of  $A$  and  $C$ , and  $n B, n D$  stand for *any* equimultiples of  $B$  and  $D$ : then the Definition may be stated more briefly thus:

$A$  is said to have the same ratio to  $B$  which  $C$  has to  $D$ , when  $m A$  is found in the same position among the multiples of  $B$ , in which  $m C$  is found among the multiples of  $D$ ; or, which is the same thing, *when the order of the multiples of  $A$  and  $B$  in the Scale of Relation of  $A$  and  $B$ , is precisely the same as the order of the multiples of  $C$  and  $D$  in the Scale of Relation of  $C$  and  $D$* ; or, when *every* multiple of  $A$  is found in the same position among the multiples of  $B$ , in which the same multiple of  $C$  is found among the multiples of  $D$ .

NOTE 5. The use of Def. v. will be better understood by the following application of it.

*To show that rectangles of equal altitude are to one another as their bases.*



Let  $AC, ac$  be two rectangles of equal-altitude.

Let  $B, B'$  and  $R, R'$  stand for the bases and the areas of these rectangles respectively.

Take  $AD, DE, EF, \dots m$  in number, and all equal,

And  $ad, de, ef, fg, gh, \dots n$  in number, and all equal.

Complete the rectangles, as in the diagram.

Then base  $AF = mB$ ,

base  $ah = nB'$ .

rectangle  $AP = mR$ ,

rectangle  $ap = nR'$ ,

Now we can prove, by superposition, that if  $AF$  be greater than  $ah$ ,  $AP$  will be greater than  $ap$ , and if equal, equal; and if less, less.

That is, if  $mB$  be greater than  $nB'$ ,  $mR$  is greater than  $nR'$ ; and if equal, equal; and if less, less.

Hence, by Def. v.,

$B$  is to  $B'$  as  $R$  is to  $R'$ .

Hence we deduce two Corollaries, which are the foundation of the proofs in Book vi.

COR. I. *Parallelograms of equal altitude are to one another as their bases.*

∴ For the parallelograms are equal to rectangles, on the same bases and between the same parallels.

COR. II. *Triangles of equal altitude are to one another as their bases.*

For the triangles are equal to the halves of the rectangles, on the same bases and between the same parallels.

N.B.—These Corollaries are proved as a direct Proposition in Eucl. vi. 1. Cor. II. could not, consistently with Euclid's method, be introduced in this place, for it assumes Proposition XI. of Book v.

DEF. VI. Magnitudes which have the same ratio are called *Proportionals*.

If  $A, B, C, D$  be proportionals, it is usually expressed by saying,  $A$  is to  $B$  as  $C$  is to  $D$ .

The magnitudes  $A$  and  $C$  are called the *Antecedents* of the ratios.  
.....  $B$  and  $D$ ..... *Consequents* .....

The antecedents are said to be *homologous* to one another, that is, occupying the same position in the ratios (*ὁμόλογος*), and the consequents are said to be homologous to one another.



DEF. VII. When of the equimultiples of four magnitudes, taken as in Def. v., the multiple of the first is greater than [or is equal to] the multiple of the second, but the multiple of the third is not greater than [or is less than] the multiple of the fourth, then the first is said to have to the second a greater ratio, than the third has to the fourth.

NOTE 6. The meaning of Def. VII. may be expressed, after taking the scales of multiples as in the explanation of Def. v., thus :—

$A$  is said to have to  $B$  a greater ratio than  $C$  has to  $D$ , when two whole numbers  $m$  and  $n$  can be found, such that  $mA$  is greater than  $nB$ , but  $mC$  not greater than  $nD$ ; or, such that  $mA$  is equal to  $nB$ , but  $mC$  less than  $nD$ .

### SECTION III.

*Containing the Propositions most frequently referred to in Book VI.*

NOTE 7. The Fifth Book of Euclid may be regarded in two aspects : first, as a Treatise on the Theory of Ratio and Proportion, complete in itself, and depending in no way on the preceding Books of the Elements ; and secondly, as a necessary introduction to the Sixth Book.

If we make the number of references in Book VI. a test of the importance of particular Propositions in Book V., they will be arranged in the following order :—

Proposition v. is referred to 23 times.

”	VI.	”	14	”
”	VIII.	”	7	”
”	XXI.	”	5	”
”	XVIII.	”	3	”
”	XII.	”	2	”

Propositions X., XI, XV., XVI., XIX., XXII., are referred to *once*.

It is desirable, then, that the student should observe that the *three* Propositions, which are of especial importance for Book VI., are included in this Section.

## PROPOSITION IV.

*If four magnitudes be proportionals, and any equimultiples be taken of the first and third, and also any equimultiples of the second and fourth, if the multiple of the first be greater than that of the second, the multiple of the third must be greater than that of the fourth ; and if equal, equal ; and if less, less.*

Let  $A$  be to  $B$  as  $C$  is to  $D$ ,  
and let any equimultiples  $mA$ ,  $mC$  be taken of  $A$  and  $C$ .  
and any equimultiples  $nB$ ,  $nD$  ..... of  $B$  and  $D$ .

*Then if  $mA$  be greater than  $nB$ ,  $mC$  must be greater than  $nD$  ;  
and if equal, equal ; if less, less.*

For if  $mA$  be greater than  $nB$ , but  $mC$  not greater than  $nD$ , then will  $A$  have to  $B$  a greater ratio than  $C$  has to  $D$  ;  
which is not the case. V. Def. 7.

Hence if  $mA$  be greater than  $nB$ ,  $mC$  must be greater than  $nD$ .

Similarly it may be shown that, if  $mA$  be equal to, or less than,  $nB$ ,  $mC$  must also be equal to, or less than,  $nD$ .

Q. E. D.

*N.B.*—We have added this Proposition to meet an objection, which might be made to a reference to Definition v., when the *converse* of that Definition is wanted. This reference is of frequent occurrence in Simson's edition.

## PROPOSITION V. (Eucl. v. 11.)

*Ratios that are the same to the same ratio, are the same to one another.*

Let  $A$  be to  $B$  as  $C$  is to  $D$ ,  
and  $E$  be to  $F$  as  $C$  is to  $D$ .  
*Then must  $A$  be to  $B$  as  $E$  is to  $F$ .*

Take of  $A$ ,  $C$ ,  $E$  any equimultiples  $mA$ ,  $mC$ ,  $mE$ .  
and of  $B$ ,  $D$ ,  $F$  any equimultiples  $nB$ ,  $nD$ ,  $nF$

Then  $\therefore A$  is to  $B$  as  $C$  is to  $D$ ,  
 $\therefore$  if  $mA$  be greater than  $nB$ ,  $mC$  is greater than  $nD$ ;  
 and if equal, equal; if less, less. V. 4.

Again,  $\therefore C$  is to  $D$  as  $E$  is to  $F$ ,  
 $\therefore$  if  $mC$  be greater than  $nD$ ,  $mE$  is greater than  $nF$ ;  
 and if equal, equal; if less, less. V. 4.

Hence, if  $mA$  be greater than  $nB$ ,  $mE$  is greater than  $nF$ ;  
 and if equal, equal; if less, less.

$\therefore A$  is to  $B$  as  $E$  is to  $F$ . V. Def. 5.  
 Q. E. D.

#### PROPOSITION VI. (Eucl. v. 7.)

*Equal magnitudes have the same ratio to the same magnitude; and the same has the same ratio to equal magnitudes.*

Let  $A$  and  $B$  be equal magnitudes, and  $C$  any other magnitude.

*Then must  $A$  be to  $C$  as  $B$  is to  $C$ ,  
 and  $C$  must be to  $A$  as  $C$  is to  $B$ .*

Take  $mA$  and  $mB$  any equimultiples of  $A$  and  $B$ ,  
 and  $nC$  any multiple of  $C$ .

Then  $\therefore A = B$ ,  $\therefore mA = mB$ . V. Ax. 1.

$\therefore$  if  $mA$  be greater than  $nC$ ,  $mB$  is greater than  $nC$ ;  
 and if equal, equal; if less, less.

$\therefore A$  is to  $C$  as  $B$  is to  $C$ . V. Def. 5.

Again, if  $nC$  be greater than  $mA$ ,  $nC$  is greater than  $mB$ ;  
 and if equal, equal; if less, less.

$\therefore C$  is to  $A$  as  $C$  is to  $B$ . V. Def. 5.  
 Q. E. D.

## PROPOSITION VII. (Eucl. v. 8.)

*Of two unequal magnitudes, the greater has a greater ratio to any other magnitude than the less has ; and the same magnitude has a greater ratio to the less, of two other magnitudes, than it has to the greater.*

Let  $A$  and  $B$  be any two magnitudes, of which  $A$  is the greater, and let  $D$  be any other magnitude.

*Then must the ratio of  $A$  to  $D$  be greater than the ratio of  $B$  to  $D$ .*

Take such equimultiples of  $A$  and  $B$ ,  $qA$  and  $qB$ , that each of them may be greater than  $D$ . Note 3, p. 216.

Then  $\because A$  is greater than  $B$ ,

$\therefore qA$  is greater than  $qB$ . V. Ax. 3.

Let  $qA = qB, R$  together.

Then, however small  $R$  may be, we can find a multiple of  $R$ , suppose  $mR$ , such that  $mR$  is greater than  $qB$ . Note 3.

Take equimultiples of  $qA$  and  $qB$ ,  $mqA$  and  $mqB$ , and take a multiple of  $D$ ,  $nD$ , such that  $nD$  is not less than  $mqB$  and not greater than  $(mq + q) B$ . Note 3.

Then  $\because mqA = mqB, mR$  together, V. 1.

and  $mR$  is greater than  $qB$ ,

$\therefore mqA$  is greater than  $(mq + q) B$ ,

and, *a fortiori*,  $mqA$  is greater than  $nD$ .

But  $mqB$  is not greater than  $nD$ ,

$\therefore$  the ratio of  $A$  to  $D$  is greater than the ratio of  $B$  to  $D$ .

V. Def. 7.

*Also, the ratio of  $D$  to  $B$  must be greater than the ratio of  $D$  to  $A$ .*

For, the same multiples being taken as before,

$\because nD$  is not less than  $mqB$ ,

and  $nD$  is less than  $mqA$ ,

$\therefore D$  has to  $B$  a greater ratio than  $D$  has to  $A$ .

V. Def. 7.

Q. E. D.

PROPOSITION VIII. (Eucl. v. 9.)

*Magnitudes, which have the same ratio to the same magnitude, are equal to one another; and those, to which the same magnitude has the same ratio, are equal to one another.*

Let  $A$  and  $B$  have the same ratio to  $C$ .

*Then must  $A = B$ .*

For if  $A$  were greater than  $B$ ,

$A$  would have a greater ratio to  $C$  than  $B$  has to  $C$ ; V. 7. which is not the case.

And if  $A$  were less than  $B$ ,

$B$  would have a greater ratio to  $C$  than  $A$  has to  $C$ ; V. 7. which is not the case.

$\therefore A = B$ .

Next, let  $C$  have the same ratio to  $A$  that  $C$  has to  $B$ .

*Then must  $A = B$ .*

For we can show, as before, that  $A$  cannot be greater or less than  $B$ .

$\therefore A = B$ .

Q. E. D.

PROPOSITION IX. (Eucl. v. 10.)

*That magnitude, which has a greater ratio than another has to the same magnitude, is the greater of the two; and that magnitude, to which the same has a greater ratio than it has to another magnitude, is the less of the two.*

Let  $A$  have to  $C$  a greater ratio than  $B$  has to  $C$ .

*Then must  $A$  be greater than  $B$ .*

For if  $A$  were equal to  $B$ , then would  $A$  have the same ratio to  $C$  that  $B$  has to  $C$ ; which is not the case. V. 8.

And if  $A$  were less than  $B$ , then would  $A$  have to  $C$  a ratio less than that which  $B$  has to  $C$ ; which is not the case. V. 7.

$\therefore A$  is greater than  $B$ .

Next, let  $C$  have a greater ratio to  $B$  than it has to  $A$ .

*Then must  $B$  be less than  $A$ .*

For if  $B$  were equal to  $A$ , then would  $C$  have the same ratio to  $B$  which it has to  $A$ ; which is not the case. V. 8.

And if  $B$  were greater than  $A$ , then  $C$  would have to  $B$  a ratio less than that which  $C$  has to  $A$ ; which is not the case. V. 7.

$\therefore B$  is less than  $A$ .

Q. E. D.

## PROPOSITION X. (Eucl. v. 12.)

*If any number of magnitudes be proportionals, as one of the antecedents is to its consequent, so must all the antecedents taken together be to all the consequents.*

Let any number of magnitudes  $A, B, C, D, E, F \dots$  be proportionals, that is,  $A$  to  $B$  as  $C$  to  $D$  and as  $E$  is to  $F \dots$

*Then must  $A$  be to  $B$  as  $A, C, E \dots$  together is to  $B, D, F \dots$  together.*

Take of  $A, C, E, \dots$  any equimultiples  $mA, mC, mE \dots$

and of  $B, D, F \dots$  any equimultiples  $nB, nD, nF \dots$

Then  $\therefore A$  is to  $B$  as  $C$  is to  $D$  and as  $E$  is to  $F \dots$

$\therefore$  if  $mA$  be greater than  $nB$ ,  $mC$  is greater than  $nD$ , and  $mE$  is greater than  $nF \dots$ ; and if equal, equal; if less, less. V. 4.

$\therefore$  if  $mA$  be greater than  $nB$ ,  $mA, mC, mE \dots$  together are greater than  $nB, nD, nF \dots$  together; and if equal, equal; if less, less.

Now  $mA$  and  $mC, mE \dots$  together are equimultiples of  $A$  and  $A, C, E \dots$  together. V. 1.

And  $nB$  and  $nD, nF \dots$  together are equimultiples of  $B$  and  $B, D, F \dots$  together.

$\therefore A$  is to  $B$  as  $A, C, E \dots$  together is to  $B, D, F \dots$  together.

V. Def. 5.

Q. E. D.

## PROPOSITION XI. (Eucl. v. 15.)

*Magnitudes have the same ratio to one another which their equimultiples have.*

Let  $A$  be the same multiple of  $C$  that  $B$  is of  $D$ .

*Then must  $C$  be to  $D$  as  $A$  to  $B$ .*

Divide  $A$  into magnitudes  $E, F, G, \dots$  each equal to  $C$ ,

and  $B$  into magnitudes  $H, K, L, \dots$  each equal to  $D$ , the number of the magnitudes being the same in both cases, because  $A$  and  $B$  are equimultiples of  $C$  and  $D$ .

Then  $\therefore E, F, G, \dots$  are all equal,

and  $H, K, L, \dots$  are all equal.

$\therefore E$  is to  $H$ , as  $F$  to  $K$ , as  $G$  to  $L \dots$  V. 6

$\therefore E$  is to  $H$  as  $E, F, G \dots$  together is to  $H, K, L \dots$  together, V. 10

that is,  $E$  is to  $H$  as  $A$  to  $B$ ;

and  $\therefore E = C$ , and  $H = D$ ,

$\therefore C$  is to  $D$  as  $A$  to  $B$ .

Q. E. D.

## SECTION IV.

*On Proportion by Inversion, Alternation, and Separation*

## PROPOSITION XII. (Eucl. v. B.)

*If four magnitudes be proportionals, they must also be proportionals when taken inversely.*

Let  $A$  be to  $B$  as  $C$  is to  $D$ .

*Then inversely  $B$  must be to  $A$  as  $D$  is to  $C$ .*

Take of  $A$  and  $C$  any equimultiples  $mA$  and  $mC$ ,  
and of  $B$  and  $D$  any equimultiples  $nB$  and  $nD$ .

Then  $\therefore A$  is to  $B$  as  $C$  is to  $D$ ,

$\therefore$  if  $mA$  be greater than  $nB$ ,  $mC$  is greater than  $nD$ ; and  
if equal, equal; if less, less. V. 4.

Hence, if  $nB$  be greater than  $mA$ ,  $nD$  is greater than  $mC$ ;  
and if equal, equal; if less, less.

$\therefore B$  is to  $A$  as  $D$  is to  $C$ .

V. Def. 5.

Q. E. D.



## PROPOSITION XIII. (Eucl. v. 13.)

*If the first has to the second the same ratio which the third has to the fourth, but the third to the fourth a greater ratio than the fifth has to the sixth; the first must also have to the second a greater ratio than the fifth has to the sixth.*

Let  $A$  have to  $B$  the same ratio that  $C$  has to  $D$ ,  
but  $C$  to  $D$  a greater ratio than  $E$  has to  $F$ .

Then must  $A$  have to  $B$  a greater ratio than  $E$  has to  $F$ .

For  $\because C$  has to  $D$  a greater ratio than  $E$  has to  $F$ ,  
we can find such equimultiples of  $C$  and  $E$ , suppose  $mC$  and  $mE$ ,  
and such equimultiples of  $D$  and  $F$ , suppose  $nD$  and  $nF$ ,  
that  $mC$  is greater than  $nD$ , but  $mE$  not greater than  $nF$ .

V. Def. 7.

Then  $\because A$  is to  $B$  as  $C$  is to  $D$ , Hyp.

and  $mC$  is greater than  $nD$ ,

$\therefore mA$  is greater than  $nB$ . V. 4.

And  $mE$  is not greater than  $nF$ .

$\therefore A$  has to  $B$  a greater ratio than  $E$  has to  $F$ . V. Def. 7.

Q. E. D.

## PROPOSITION XIV. (Eucl. v. 14.)

*If the first has to the second the same ratio which the third has to the fourth; then, if the first be greater than the third the second must be greater than the fourth; and if equal, equal; and if less, less.*

Let  $A$  have the same ratio to  $B$  that  $C$  has to  $D$ .

Then if  $A$  be greater than  $C$ ,  $B$  must be greater than  $D$ .

For  $\because A$  is greater than  $C$ ,  
and  $B$  is any other magnitude,

$\therefore A$  has a greater ratio to  $B$  than  $C$  has to  $B$ . V. 7.

But  $A$  is to  $B$  as  $C$  is to  $D$ .

$\therefore C$  has a greater ratio to  $D$ , than  $C$  has to  $B$ . V. 13.

$\therefore B$  is greater than  $D$ . V. 9.

Similarly it may be shown that if  $A$  be less than  $C$ ,  $B$  must be less than  $D$ ; and that if  $A$  be equal to  $C$ ,  $B$  must be equal to  $D$ . Q. E. D.

PROPOSITION XV. (Eucl. v. 16.)

*If four magnitudes of the same kind be proportionals, they must also be proportionals when taken alternately.*

Let  $A, B, C, D$  be four magnitudes of the same kind, and let  $A$  be to  $B$  as  $C$  is to  $D$ .

*Then alternately  $A$  must be to  $C$  as  $B$  is to  $D$ .*

Take of  $A$  and  $B$  any equimultiples  $mA$  and  $mB$ ,  
and of  $C$  and  $D$  any equimultiples  $nC$  and  $nD$ .

Then  $\therefore mA$  is to  $mB$  as  $A$  is to  $B$ , V. 11.  
and  $C$  is to  $D$  as  $A$  is to  $B$ , Hyp.

$\therefore mA$  is to  $mB$  as  $C$  is to  $D$ . V. 5.

But  $nC$  is to  $nD$  as  $C$  is to  $D$ ; V. 11.  
and  $\therefore mA$  is to  $mB$  as  $nC$  is to  $nD$ . V. 5.

If  $\therefore mA$  be greater than  $nC$ ,  $mB$  is greater than  $nD$ ;  
and if equal, equal; if less, less. V. 14.

$\therefore A$  is to  $C$  as  $B$  is to  $D$ . V. Def. 5.  
Q. E. D.

## PROPOSITION XVI. (Eucl. v. 18.)

*If magnitudes taken separately be proportionals, they must be proportionals also when taken jointly.*

Let  $A$  have the same ratio to  $B$  that  $C$  has to  $D$ .

*Then must  $A, B$  together have the same ratio to  $B$ , that  $C, D$  together has to  $D$ .*

First, when all the magnitudes are of the same kind,

$\therefore A$  is to  $B$  as  $C$  is to  $D$ ,

$\therefore A$  is to  $C$  as  $B$  is to  $D$ .

V. 15.

$\therefore A, B$  together is to  $C, D$  together as  $B$  is to  $D$ ,

V. 10.

and  $\therefore A, B$  together is to  $B$  as  $C, D$  together is to  $D$ .

V. 15.

Next, when all the magnitudes are not of the same kind, we may employ a method of proof which includes the former case : thus—

Take of  $A, B, C, D$  any equimultiples  $mA, mB, mC, mD$ , and of  $B$  and  $D$  take any equimultiples  $nB, nD$ .

Then  $\therefore A$  is to  $B$  as  $C$  is to  $D$ ,

$\therefore$  if  $mA$  be greater than  $nB$ ,  $mC$  is greater than  $nD$  ; and if equal, equal ; if less, less.

V. 4.

If then  $mA, mB$  together be greater than  $mB, nB$  together,  $mC, mD$  together is greater than  $mC, nD$  together ; and if equal, equal ; if less, less.

I. Ax. 2, 4.

Now  $mA, mB$  together is the same multiple of  $A, B$  together that  $mC, mD$  together is of  $C, D$  together ;

V. 1.

and  $mB, nB$  together is the same multiple of  $B$  that  $mD, nD$  together is of  $D$ .

V. 2.

$\therefore A, B$  together is to  $B$  as  $C, D$  together is to  $D$ .

V. Def. 5.  
Q. E. D.

## SECTION V.

*Containing the Propositions occasionally referred to in  
Book VI.*

## PROPOSITION XVII. (Eucl. v. 4.)

*If the first of four magnitudes has to the second the same ratio which the third has to the fourth, and any equimultiples of the first and third be taken, and also any equimultiples of the second and fourth, then must the multiple of the first have the same ratio to the multiple of the second which the multiple of the third has to that of the fourth.*

If  $A$  be to  $B$  as  $C$  is to  $D$ ,  
and  $mA$ ,  $mC$  be taken equimultiples of  $A$  and  $C$ ,  
and  $nB$ ,  $nD$ ..... of  $B$  and  $D$ ,  
then must  $mA$  be to  $nB$  as  $mC$  is to  $nD$ .

Take of  $mA$ ,  $mC$  any equimultiples  $pmA$ ,  $pmC$ ,  
and of  $nB$ ,  $nD$ .....  $qnB$ ,  $qnD$ .

Then  $pmA$ ,  $pmC$  are equimultiples of  $A$  and  $C$ , V. 3.  
and  $qnB$ ,  $qnD$ ..... of  $B$  and  $D$ . V. 3.

And  $\therefore A$  is to  $B$  as  $C$  is to  $D$ ,  
 $\therefore$  if  $pmA$  be greater than  $qnB$ ,  
 $pmC$  is greater than  $qnD$ ; V. 4.  
and if equal, equal; if less, less.

Then  $\therefore pmA$ ,  $pmC$  are equimultiples of  $mA$ ,  $mC$ ,  
and  $qnB$ ,  $qnD$ ..... of  $nB$ ,  $nD$ ,

$\therefore mA$  is to  $nB$  as  $mC$  is to  $nD$ . V. Def. 5.

Q. E. D.

## PROPOSITION XVIII. (Eucl. v. A.)

*If the first of four magnitudes have the same ratio to the second that the third has to the fourth, then, if the first be greater than the second, the third must be greater than the fourth; and if equal, equal; and if less, less.*

Let  $A$  be to  $B$  as  $C$  is to  $D$ .

*Then if  $A$  be greater than  $B$ ,  $C$  must be greater than  $D$ ; and if equal, equal; and if less, less.*

Take any equimultiples of each,  $mA$ ,  $mB$ ,  $mC$ ,  $mD$ .

Then  $\because A$  is to  $B$  as  $C$  is to  $D$ ,

$\therefore$  if  $mA$  be greater than  $mB$ ,  $mC$  is greater than  $mD$ ;  
and if equal, equal; and if less, less. V. 4.

First, suppose  $A$  greater than  $B$ ,

then  $mA$  is greater than  $mB$ , V. Ax. 3

and  $\therefore mC$  is greater than  $mD$ ,

and  $\therefore C$  is greater than  $D$ . V. Ax. 4

Similarly the other cases may be proved.

Q. E. D.

## PROPOSITION XIX. (Eucl. v. D.)

*If the first be to the second as the third is to the fourth, and if the first be a multiple, or a submultiple, of the second, the third must be the same multiple, or the same submultiple, of the fourth.*

Let  $A$  be to  $B$  as  $C$  is to  $D$ ,

and, first, let  $A$  be a multiple of  $B$ .

*Then must  $C$  be the same multiple of  $D$ .*

Let  $A = mB$ , and take  $mD$  the same multiple of  $D$  that  $A$  is of  $B$ .

Then  $\because A$  is to  $B$  as  $C$  is to  $D$ ,

$\therefore A$  is to  $mB$  as  $C$  is to  $mD$ . V. 17.

But  $A = mB$ . and  $\therefore C = mD$ .

V. 18.

Next, let  $A$  be a *submultiple* of  $B$ .

*Then must  $C$  be the same submultiple of  $D$ .*

For  $\therefore A$  is to  $B$  as  $C$  is to  $D$ ,

$\therefore B$  is to  $A$  as  $D$  is to  $C$ ,

V. 12

Now  $B$  is a multiple of  $A$ ,

and  $\therefore D$  is the same multiple of  $C$ , by the first case.

Hence  $C$  is the same submultiple of  $D$ , that  $A$  is of  $B$ .

Q. E. D.

# PROPOSITION XX. (Eucl. v. 20.)

*If there be three magnitudes, and other three, which have the same ratio, taken two and two, then, if the first be greater than the third, the fourth must be greater than the sixth; and if equal, equal; if less, less.*

Let  $A, B, C$  be three magnitudes, and  $D, E, F$  other three,

and let  $A$  be to  $B$  as  $D$  is to  $E$ ,

and  $B$  be to  $C$  as  $E$  is to  $F$ .

*Then if  $A$  be greater than  $C$ ,  $D$  must be greater than  $F$ ; and if equal, equal; if less, less.*

First, if  $A$  be greater than  $C$ ,

$A$  has to  $B$  a greater ratio than  $C$  has to  $B$ .

V. 7.

But  $C$  has to  $B$  the same ratio that  $F$  has to  $E$ , Hyp. & V. 12.

$\therefore A$  has to  $B$  a greater ratio than  $F$  has to  $E$ .

$\therefore D$  has to  $E$  a greater ratio than  $F$  has to  $E$ .

V. 13.

$\therefore D$  is greater than  $F$ .

V. 9.

Similarly the other cases may be proved.

Q. E. D.

## PROPOSITION XXI. (Eucl. v. 22.)

*If there be any number of magnitudes, and as many others, which have the same ratio taken two and two in order, the first must have to the last of the first magnitudes the same ratio which the first of the others has to the last of these.*

First, let there be three magnitudes  $A, B, C$ , and other three  $D, E, F$ .

And let  $A$  be to  $B$  as  $D$  is to  $E$ ,

and  $B$  be to  $C$  as  $E$  is to  $F$ .

Then must  $A$  be to  $C$  as  $D$  is to  $F$ .

Take of  $A$  and  $D$  any equimultiples  $mA, mD$ ,

of  $B$  and  $E$ ..... $nB, nE$ ,

of  $C$  and  $F$ ..... $pC, pF$ .

Then  $\because A$  is to  $B$  as  $D$  is to  $E$ ,

$\therefore mA$  is to  $nB$  as  $mD$  is to  $nE$ .

V. 17.

So also,  $nB$  is to  $pC$  as  $nE$  is to  $pF$ .

$\therefore$  if  $mA$  be greater than  $pC$ ,  $mD$  is greater than  $pF$ ,  
and if equal, equal; if less, less.

V. 20.

$\therefore A$  is to  $C$  as  $D$  is to  $F$ .

V. Def. 5.

The proposition may be easily extended to any number of magnitudes.

Q. E. D.

## PROPOSITION XXII. (Eucl. v. 24.)

*If the first have to the second the same ratio which the third has to the fourth, and the fifth have to the second the same ratio which the sixth has to the fourth, then the first and fifth together must have to the second the same ratio which the third and sixth together have to the fourth.*

Let  $A$  be to  $B$  as  $C$  is to  $D$ ,

and  $E$  be to  $B$  as  $F$  is to  $D$ .

Then must  $A, E$  together be to  $B$  as  $C, F$  together is to  $D$ .

For  $\because E$  is to  $B$  as  $F$  is to  $D$ ,

$\therefore B$  is to  $E$  as  $D$  is to  $F$ .

V. 12.

And  $\because A$  is to  $B$  as  $C$  is to  $D$ ,

and  $B$  is to  $E$  as  $D$  is to  $F$ ,

$\therefore A$  is to  $E$  as  $C$  is to  $F$ .

V. 21.

$\therefore A, E$  together is to  $E$  as  $C, F$  together is to  $F$ ,

V. 16.

and  $E$  is to  $B$  as  $F$  is to  $D$ ;

$\therefore A, E$  together is to  $B$  as  $C, F$  together is to  $D$ .

V. 21.

Q. E. D.

## SECTION VI.

*Containing the Propositions to which no reference is made in Book VI.*

### PROPOSITION XXIII. (Eucl. v. 5.)

*If one magnitude be the same multiple of another, which a magnitude taken from the first is of a magnitude taken from the other, the remainder must be the same multiple of the remainder, that the whole is of the whole.*

Let  $B$  and  $D$  be the magnitudes which are taken away,  
and  $A$  and  $C$  the magnitudes which remain,  
then  $A, B$  together, and  $C, D$  together will be the wholes.

And let  $A, B$  together be the same multiple of  $C, D$  together,  
that  $B$  is of  $D$ .

*Then must  $A$  be the same multiple of  $C$  that  $A, B$  together is of  $C, D$  together.*

Take  $E$  the same multiple of  $C$  that  $B$  is of  $D$ ,

Then  $E, B$  together is the same multiple of  $C, D$  together  
that  $B$  is of  $D$ . V. 1.

But  $A, B$  together is the same multiple of  $C, D$  together  
that  $B$  is of  $D$ .

$\therefore E, B$  together  $= A, B$  together, V. Ax. 1.  
and  $\therefore E = A$ . I. Ax. 3.

$\therefore A$  is the same multiple of  $C$  that  $B$  is of  $D$ .

Q. E. D.



## PROPOSITION XXIV. (Eucl. v. 6.)

*If two magnitudes be equimultiples of two others, and if equimultiples of these be taken from the first two, the remainders are either equal to these others, or equimultiples of them.*

Let  $B$  and  $D$  be the magnitudes which are taken away,  
and  $A$  and  $C$  the magnitudes which remain ;  
then  $A, B$  together and  $C, D$  together will be the wholes.

Let  $A, B$  together be the same multiple of  $P$ ,  
that  $C, D$  together is of  $Q$ ,  
and let  $B$  be the same multiple of  $P$ , that  $D$  is of  $Q$ .

*Then must  $A$  and  $C$  be equal respectively to  $P$  and  $Q$ ,  
or  $A$  and  $C$  be equimultiples of  $P$  and  $Q$ .*

For let  $A, B$  together  $= P, P$ .....repeated  $m + n$  times,  
then  $C, D$  together  $= Q, Q$ .....repeated  $m + n$  times.

Also, let  $B = P, P$ .....repeated  $n$  times,  
then  $D = Q, Q$ .....repeated  $n$  times.

Hence  $A = P, P$ .....repeated  $m$  times,  
and  $C = Q, Q$ .....repeated  $m$  times.

If then  $A = P, m = 1$ , and  $\therefore C = Q$ ;  
and if  $A$  be a multiple of  $P, C$  is the same multiple of  $Q$ .

Q. E. D.

PROPOSITION XXV. (Eucl. v. 17.)

*If magnitudes, taken jointly, be proportionals, they shall also be proportionals when taken separately; that is, if two magnitudes together have to one of them the same ratio which two others have to one of these, the remaining one of the first two must have to the other the same ratio which the remaining one of the last two has to the other of these.*

Let  $A, B$  together have the same ratio to  $B$   
that  $C, D$  together have to  $D$ .

*Then must  $A$  be to  $B$  as  $C$  to  $D$ .*

Take of  $A, B, C, D$  any equimultiples  $mA, mB, mC, mD$ ,  
and again of  $B, D$  take any equimultiples  $nB, nD$ .

Then  $\because mA$  is the same multiple of  $A$  that  $mB$  is of  $B$ ,

$\therefore mA, mB$  together is the same multiple of  $A, B$   
together that  $mA$  is of  $A$ . V. 1

And  $\because mC$  is the same multiple of  $C$  that  $mD$  is of  $D$ ,

$\therefore mC, mD$  together is the same multiple of  $C, D$   
together that  $mC$  is of  $C$ . V. 1.

But  $mA$  is the same multiple of  $A$  that  $mC$  is of  $C$ .

$\therefore mA, mB$  together is the same multiple of  $A, B$   
together that  $mC, mD$  together is of  $C, D$  together.

Again,  $mB, nB$  together is the same multiple of  $B$  that  
 $mD, nD$  together is of  $D$ .

Now, since  $A, B$  together is to  $B$  as  $C, D$  together is to  $D$ ,

$\therefore$  if  $mA, mB$  together be greater than  $mB, nB$  together,  
 $mC, mD$  together is greater than  $mD, nD$  together; and if  
equal, equal; if less, less. V. 4.

That is, if  $mA$  be greater than  $nB, mC$  is greater than  $nD$ ;  
and if equal, equal; if less, less. I. Ax. 3, 5.

$\therefore A$  is to  $B$  as  $C$  is to  $D$ .

V. Def. 5.

Q. E. D.

## PROPOSITION XXVI. (Eucl. v. 19.)

*If a whole magnitude be to a whole as a magnitude taken from the first is to a magnitude taken from the other, the remainder must be to the remainder as the whole is to the whole.*

Let  $A, B$  together have the same ratio to  $C, D$  together that  $B$  has to  $D$ .

*Then must  $A$  be to  $C$  as  $A, B$  together is to  $C, D$  together.*

For  $\because A, B$  together is to  $C, D$  together as  $B$  is to  $D$ ,

$\therefore A, B$  together is to  $B$  as  $C, D$  together is to  $D$ , V. 15

and  $\therefore A$  is to  $B$  as  $C$  is to  $D$ , V. 25.

Hence  $A$  is to  $C$  as  $B$  is to  $D$ . V. 15

But  $A, B$  together is to  $C, D$  together as  $B$  is to  $D$ . Hyp.

$\therefore A$  is to  $C$  as  $A, B$  together is to  $C, D$  together. V. 5.

Q. E. D.

## PROPOSITION XXVII. (Eucl. v. 21.)

*If there be three magnitudes, and other three, which have the same ratio, taken two and two, but in a cross order, then if the first be greater than the third, the fourth must be greater than the sixth; and if equal, equal; and if less, less.*

Let  $A, B, C$  be three magnitudes, and  $D, E, F$  other three,

and let  $A$  be to  $B$  as  $E$  is to  $F$ ,

and  $B$  be to  $C$  as  $D$  is to  $E$ .

*Then if  $A$  be greater than  $C$ ,  $D$  must be greater than  $F$ ;  
and if equal, equal; and if less, less.*

First, if  $A$  be greater than  $C$ ,

$A$  has to  $B$  a greater ratio than  $C$  has to  $B$ , V. 7.

and  $\therefore E$  has to  $F$  a greater ratio than  $C$  has to  $B$ . V. 13.

Now  $\because B$  is to  $C$  as  $D$  is to  $E$ , Hyp.

$\therefore C$  is to  $B$  as  $E$  is to  $D$ . V. 12.

Hence  $E$  has to  $F$  a greater ratio than  $E$  has to  $D$ .

$\therefore D$  is greater than  $F$ . V. 9.

Similarly the other cases may be proved.

Q. E. D.

PROPOSITION XXVIII. (Eucl. v. 23.)

*If there be any number of magnitudes, and as many others, which have the same ratio, taken two and two in a cross order, the first must have to the last of the first magnitudes the same ratio which the first of the others has to the last of these.*

Let  $A, B, C$  be three magnitudes, and  $D, E, F$  other three,  
 and let  $A$  be to  $B$  as  $E$  is to  $F$ ,  
 and  $B$  be to  $C$  as  $D$  is to  $E$ .  
 Then must  $A$  be to  $C$  as  $D$  is to  $F$ .

Of  $A, B, D$  take any equimultiples  $mA, mB, mD$ , and  
 of  $C, E, F$  take any equimultiples  $nC, nE, nF$ .

Now  $\therefore A$  is to  $B$  as  $E$  is to  $F$ ,  
 $\therefore mA$  is to  $mB$  as  $nE$  is to  $nF$ ;      V. 11, and V. 5.

and  $\therefore B$  is to  $C$  as  $D$  is to  $E$ ,  
 $\therefore mB$  is to  $nC$  as  $mD$  is to  $nE$ .      V. 17.

Hence, if  $mA$  be greater than  $nC$ ,  $mD$  is greater than  $nF$ ,  
 and if equal, equal; and if less, less.      V. 27.  
 $\therefore A$  is to  $C$  as  $D$  is to  $F$ .      V. Def. 5.

The proposition may be easily extended to any number of magnitudes.

Q. E. D.

## PROPOSITION XXIX. (Eucl. v. 25.)

*If four magnitudes of the same kind be proportionals, the greatest and least of them together must be greater than the other two together.*

Let  $A$  be to  $B$  as  $C$  is to  $D$ ,  
and let  $A$  be the greatest of the four magnitudes, and consequently  $D$  the least. V. 18, and V. 14.

*Then must  $A, D$  together be greater than  $B, C$  together.*

Let  $A = B, P$  together, and  $C = D, Q$  together.

Then  $\because B, P$  together is to  $B$  as  $D, Q$  together is to  $D$ ,

$\therefore P$  is to  $B$  as  $Q$  is to  $D$ , V. 25.

and  $B$  is greater than  $D$ .

$\therefore P$  is greater than  $Q$ . V. 14

Hence  $P, B, D$  together are greater than  $Q, B, D$  together.

I. Ax. 4

$\therefore A, D$  together are greater than  $B, C$  together.

Q. E. D.

PROPOSITION XXX. (Eucl. v. C.)

*If the first be the same multiple of the second, or the same submultiple of it, that the third is of the fourth, the first must be to the second as the third is to the fourth.*

First, let  $A$  be the same multiple of  $B$ , that  $C$  is of  $D$ .  
Then must  $A$  be to  $B$  as  $C$  is to  $D$ .

Let  $A = pB$  and  $\therefore C = pD$ .

Take of  $A$  and  $C$  any equimultiples  $mA$ ,  $mC$ ,  
and of  $B$  and  $D$  any equimultiples  $nB$ ,  $nD$ .

Then  $mA = mpB$  and  $mC = mpD$ . V. 3.

Now if  $mpB$  be greater than  $nB$ ,  
 $mpD$  is greater than  $nD$  ;  
and if equal, equal ; if less, less.

That is, if  $mA$  be greater than  $nB$ ,  $mC$  is greater than  $nD$  ;  
and if equal, equal ; and if less, less.

$\therefore A$  is to  $B$  as  $C$  is to  $D$ . V. Def. 5.

Next, let  $A$  be the same submultiple of  $B$ , that  $C$  is of  $D$ .  
Then must  $A$  be to  $B$  as  $C$  is to  $D$ .

For  $\therefore A$  is the same submultiple of  $B$ , that  $C$  is of  $D$ ,  
 $\therefore B$  is the same multiple of  $A$ , that  $D$  is of  $C$ ,  
 $\therefore B$  is to  $A$  as  $D$  is to  $C$ , by the first case,

and  $\therefore A$  is to  $B$  as  $C$  is to  $D$ . V. 12.

Q. E. D.

## PROPOSITION XXXI. (Eucl. v. E.)

*If four magnitudes be proportionals, they must also be proportionals by conversion; that is, the first must be to its excess above the second as the third is to its excess above the fourth.*

Let  $A, B$  together be to  $B$  as  $C, D$  together is to  $D$ .

Then must  $A, B$  together be to  $A$  as  $C, D$  together is to  $C$ .

For  $\because A, B$  together is to  $B$  as  $C, D$  together is to  $D$ ,

$\therefore A$  is to  $B$  as  $C$  is to  $D$ , V. 26.

and  $\therefore B$  is to  $A$  as  $D$  is to  $C$ , V. 12.

and  $\therefore A, B$  together is to  $A$  as  $C, D$  together is to  $C$ . V. 16.

Q. E. D.

# BOOK VI.

## INTRODUCTORY REMARKS.

THE chief subject of this Book is the Similarity of Rectilinear Figures.

DEF. I. Two rectilinear figures are called *similar*, when they satisfy two conditions :—

I. For every angle in one of the figures there must be a corresponding angle in the other.

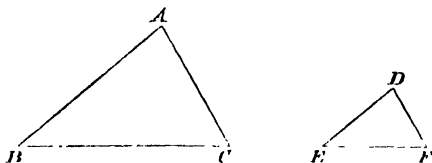
II. The sides containing any one of the angles in one of the figures must be in the same ratio as the sides containing the corresponding angle in the other figure: the antecedents of the ratios being sides which are adjacent to equal angles in each figure.

Thus  $ABC$  and  $DEF$  are similar triangles, if the angles at  $A, B, C$  be equal to the angles at  $D, E, F$ , respectively, and

if  $BA$  be to  $AC$  as  $ED$  is to  $DF$ ,

and  $AC$  be to  $CB$  as  $DF$  is to  $FE$ ,

and  $CB$  be to  $BA$  as  $FE$  is to  $ED$ .



The sides adjacent to equal angles in the triangles are thus *homologous*, that is,  $BA, AC, CB$  are respectively homologous to  $ED, DF, FE$ .

It will be shown in Prop. iv. that in the case of triangles the second of the above conditions follows from the first.

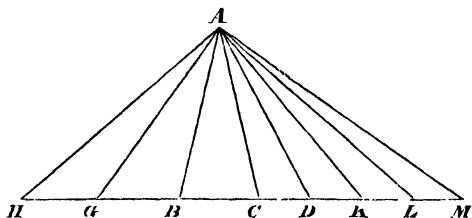
In the case of quadrilaterals and polygons *both* conditions are necessary: thus any two rectangles have each angle of the one equal to each angle of the other, but they are not necessarily similar figures.

N.B.—The very important Prop. xxv. (Eucl. vi. 33) is independent of all the other Propositions in this Book, and might be placed with advantage at the very commencement of the Book.



## PROPOSITION I. THEOREM.

*Triangles of the same altitude are to one another as their bases.*



Let the  $\triangle$ s  $ABC$ ,  $ADC$  have the same altitude, that is, the perpendicular drawn from  $A$  to  $BD$ .

Then must  $\triangle ABC$  be to  $\triangle ADC$  as base  $BC$  is to base  $DC$ .

In  $DB$  produced take any number of straight lines  
 $BG$ ,  $GH$  each  $= BC$ . I. 3.

In  $BD$  produced take any number of straight lines  
 $DK$ ,  $KL$ ,  $LM$  each  $= DC$ . I. 3.

Join  $AG$ ,  $AH$ ;  $AK$ ,  $AL$ ,  $AM$ .

Then  $\therefore CB$ ,  $BG$ ,  $GH$  are all equal,

$\therefore \triangle$ s  $ABC$ ,  $AGB$ ,  $AHG$  are all equal. I. 38.

$\therefore \triangle AHC$  is the same multiple of  $\triangle ABC$  that  $HC$  is of  $BC$ .

So also,

$\triangle AMC$  is the same multiple of  $\triangle ADC$  that  $MC$  is of  $DC$ .

And  $\triangle AHC$  is equal to, greater than, or less than  $\triangle AMC$ , according as base  $HC$  is equal to, greater than, or less than base  $MC$ . I. 38.

Now  $\triangle AHC$  and base  $HC$  are equimultiples of  $\triangle ABC$  and base  $BC$ ,

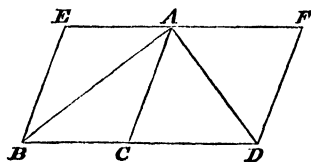
and  $\triangle AMC$  and base  $MC$  are equimultiples of  $\triangle ADC$  and base  $DC$ .

$\therefore \triangle ABC$  is to  $\triangle ADC$  as base  $BC$  is to base  $DC$ . V. Def. 5.

COR. I. *Parallelograms of the same altitude are to one another as their bases.*

Let  $ACBE$ ,  $ACDF$  be parallelograms having the same altitude, that is, the perpendicular drawn from  $A$  to  $BD$ .

Then must  $\square ACBE$  be to  $\square ACDF$  as  $BC$  is to  $DC$ .



For  $\square ACBE = \text{twice } \triangle ABC$ , I. 41.

and  $\square ACDF = \text{twice } \triangle ADC$ . I. 41.

$\therefore \square ACBE$  is to  $\square ACDF$  as  $\triangle ABC$  is to  $\triangle ADC$ , V. 11.  
and  $\therefore \square ACBE$  is to  $\square ACDF$  as  $BC$  is to  $DC$ . V. 5.

Q. E. D.

COR. II. *Triangles and Parallelograms, that have EQUAL altitudes, are to one another as their bases.*

Let the figures be placed, so as to have their bases in the same straight line; and having drawn perpendiculars from the vertices of the triangles to the bases, the straight line, which joins the vertices, is parallel to that, in which their bases are, because the perpendiculars are both equal and parallel to one another. I. 33.

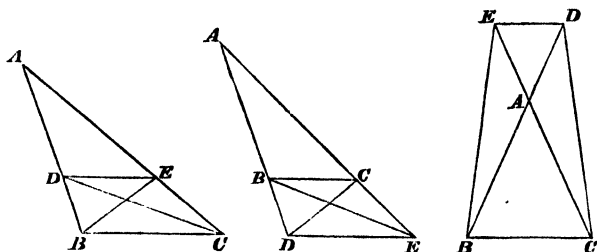
Then, if the same construction be made as in the Proposition, the demonstration will be the same.

Ex. 1.  $ABC$ ,  $DEF$  are two parallel straight lines; show that the triangle  $ADE$  is to the triangle  $FBC$  as  $DE$  is to  $BC$ .

Ex. 2. If, from any point in a diagonal of a parallelogram, straight lines be drawn to the extremities of the other diagonal, the four triangles, into which the parallelogram is then divided, must be equal. two and two.

## PROPOSITION II. THEOREM.

If a straight line be drawn parallel to one of the sides of a triangle, it must cut the other sides, or those sides produced, proportionally.



Let  $DE$  be drawn  $\parallel$  to  $BC$ , a side of the  $\triangle ABC$ .

Then must  $BD$  be to  $DA$  as  $CE$  to  $EA$ .

Join  $BE$ ,  $CD$ .

Then  $\therefore \triangle BDE = \triangle CDE$ , on the same base  $DE$   
and between the same  $\parallel$ s,  $DE$ ,  $BC$ . I. 37.

$\therefore \triangle BDE$  is to  $\triangle ADE$  as  $\triangle CDE$  is to  $\triangle ADE$  V. 6.

But  $\triangle BDE$  is to  $\triangle ADE$  as  $BD$  is to  $DA$ , VI. 1.

and  $\triangle CDE$  is to  $\triangle ADE$  as  $CE$  is to  $EA$ ; VI. 1.

$\therefore BD$  is to  $DA$  as  $CE$  is to  $EA$ . V. 5.

Ex. 1. If any two straight lines be cut by three parallel lines, they are cut proportionally. (N.B.—This is of great use.)

Ex. 2. If two sides of a quadrilateral be parallel to each other, a straight line, drawn parallel to either of them, shall cut the other sides, or these produced, proportionally.

And Conversely,

*If the sides, or the sides produced, be cut proportionally, the straight line which joins the points of section must be parallel to the remaining side of the triangle.*

Let the sides  $AB$ ,  $AC$  of the  $\triangle ABC$ , or these produced, be cut proportionally in  $D$  and  $E$ , so that

$BD$  is to  $DA$  as  $CE$  is to  $EA$ ,

and join  $DE$ .

*Then must  $DE$  be parallel to  $BC$ .*

The same construction being made,

$\therefore BD$  is to  $DA$  as  $CE$  is to  $EA$ ,

and  $BD$  is to  $DA$  as  $\triangle BDE$  is to  $\triangle ADE$ , VI. 1.

and  $CE$  is to  $EA$  as  $\triangle CDE$  is to  $\triangle ADE$ , VI. 1.

$\therefore \triangle BDE$  is to  $\triangle ADE$  as  $\triangle CDE$  is to  $\triangle ADE$ , V. 5.

and  $\therefore \triangle BDE = \triangle CDE$ ; V. 8.

and they are on the same base  $DE$ ;

$\therefore DE$  is  $\parallel$  to  $BC$ . I. 39

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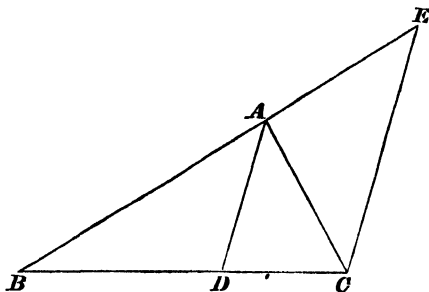
Ex. 3. If there be four parallel straight lines, two of these lines intercept upon two given lines, of unlimited length,  $OA$ ,  $OB$ , parts proportional to the parts intercepted upon  $OA$ ,  $OB$ , by the remaining two parallel straight lines.

Ex. 4. If the four sides of a quadrilateral figure be bisected, the lines joining the points of bisection will form a parallelogram.

Ex. 5. A quadrilateral figure has two parallel sides: shew that the straight line, joining the point of intersection of its other two sides produced and the point of intersection of its diagonals, bisects the two parallel sides.

## PROPOSITION III. THEOREM.

If the vertical angle of a triangle be bisected by a straight line, which also cuts the base, the segments of the base must have the same ratio, which the other sides of the triangle have to one another.



Let  $\angle BAC$  of  $\triangle ABC$  be bisected by the st. line  $AD$ , which meets the base in  $D$ .

Then must  $BD$  be to  $DC$  as  $BA$  is to  $AC$ .

Through  $C$  draw  $CE \parallel$  to  $DA$ ,  
and let  $BA$  produced meet  $CE$  in  $E$ . I. 31.

Then  $\angle BAD = \text{interior } \angle AEC$ , I. 29.

and  $\angle CAD = \text{alternate } \angle ACE$ , I. 29.

But  $\angle BAD = \angle CAD$ , by hypothesis,

and  $\therefore \angle AEC = \angle ACE$ , Ax. I.

and  $\therefore AC = AE$ . I. B. Cor.

Then  $\therefore AD$  is  $\parallel$  to  $EC$ , a side of  $\triangle BEC$ ,

$\therefore BD$  is to  $DC$  as  $BA$  is to  $AE$ , VI. 2.

and  $\therefore BD$  is to  $DC$  as  $BA$  is to  $AC$ . V. 6.

Ex. 1. Shew that in a parallelogram the diagonals do not bisect the angles, unless the sides are equal.

Ex. 2. Shew how to trisect a straight line of finite length.

Ex. 3. Shew that the bisectors of the angles of a triangle meet in the same point.

Ex. 4. The bisectors of the angles  $A$  and  $C$ , of a triangle  $ABC$ , meet the opposite sides in the points  $D$  and  $F$ :  $BA$  and  $BC$  are produced to  $F'$  and  $D'$ , so that  $AF'$ ,  $AC$  and  $CD'$  are all equal: prove that  $F'D'$  is parallel to  $FD$ .

And Conversely,

*If the segments of the base have the same ratio, which the other sides of the triangles have to one another, the straight line, drawn from the vertex to the point of section, must bisect the vertical angle.*

Let  $BD$  be to  $DC$  as  $BA$  is to  $AC$ ,  
and join  $AD$ .

*Then must  $\angle BAD = \angle CAD$ .*

The same construction being made,

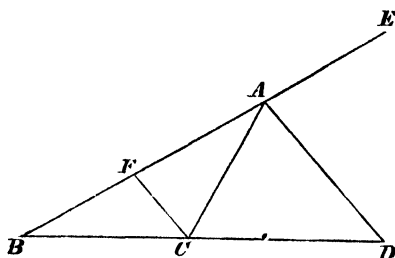
$\therefore BD$ is to $DC$ as $BA$ is to $AC$ ,	Hyp.
and $BD$ is to $DC$ as $BA$ is to $AE$ ,	VI. 2.
$\therefore BA$ is to $AC$ as $BA$ is to $AE$ ,	V. 5.
and $\therefore AC = AE$ ,	V. 8.
and $\therefore \angle AEC = \angle ACE$ .	I. A.
But $\angle AEC = \text{exterior } \angle BAD$ ,	I. 29.
and $\angle ACE = \text{alternate } \angle CAD$ ,	I. 29.
$\therefore \angle BAD = \angle CAD$ .	Ax. 1.

Q. E. D.

Ex. 5. Two straight lines are drawn, bisecting the angles at the base of an isosceles triangle. Shew that the straight line, joining the points, in which they cut the sides, is parallel to the base.

## PROPOSITION A. THEOREM.

If the exterior angle of a triangle be bisected by a straight line, which also cuts the base produced, the segments, between the dividing straight line and the extremities of the base, must have the same ratio, which the other sides of the triangle have to one another.



Let  $\angle EAC$ , an ext<sup>r</sup>  $\angle$  of the  $\triangle ABC$ , be bisected by the st. line  $AD$  which meets the base produced in  $D$ .

Then must  $BD$  be to  $DC$  as  $BA$  is to  $AC$ .

Through  $C$  draw  $CF \parallel$  to  $DA$ , meeting  $AB$  in  $F$ . I. 31.

Then  $\angle EAD = \text{interior } \angle AFC$ , I. 29.

and  $\angle CAD = \text{alternate } \angle ACF$ . I. 29.

But  $\angle EAD = \angle CAD$ , by hypothesis.

$\therefore \angle AFC = \angle ACF$ , Ax. 1.

and  $\therefore AC = AF$ . I. B. Cor.

Then  $\because AD$  is  $\parallel$  to  $FC$ , a side of  $\triangle FBC$ ,

$\therefore BD$  is to  $DC$  as  $BA$  is to  $AF$ , VI. 2.

and  $\therefore BD$  is to  $DC$  as  $BA$  is to  $AC$ . V. 6.

Ex. 1. If the angles at the base of the triangle be equal, how is the proposition modified?

Ex. 2. If  $B$  be any point in a straight line  $AC$ , intersected by another,  $CD$ , give a geometrical construction for determining a point  $D$  in  $CD$ , such that  $AD$  is to  $DB$  as  $AC$  is to  $CB$ .

And Conversely,

*If the segments of the base produced have the same ratio, which the other sides of the triangle have to one another, the straight line drawn from the vertex to the point of section must bisect the exterior angle of the triangle.*

Let  $BD$  be to  $DC$  as  $BA$  is to  $AC$ ,  
and join  $AD$ .

Then must  $\angle CAD = \angle EAD$ .

For, the same construction being made,

$\therefore BD$ is to $DC$ as $BA$ is to $AC$ ,	Hyp.
and $BD$ is to $DC$ as $BA$ is to $AF$ ,	VI. 2.
$\therefore BA$ is to $AC$ as $BA$ is to $AF$ ,	V. 5.
and $\therefore AC = AF$ ,	V. 8.
and $\therefore \angle AFC = \angle ACF$ .	I. A.
But $\angle AFC = \text{exterior } \angle EAD$ ,	I. 29.
and $\angle ACF = \text{alternate } \angle CAD$ .	I. 29.
and $\therefore \angle CAD = \angle EAD$	Ax. 1.

Q. E. D.

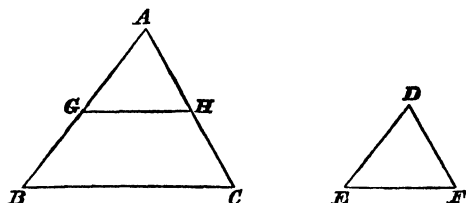
Ex. 3. If the base be divided into two segments, having the same ratio with the segments specified in the Proposition, the straight lines, drawn from the two points of section to the vertex of the triangle, are at right angles to each other.

Ex. 4. If the angle, between the internal bisector and a side, be equal to the angle, between the external bisector and the base, the perpendicular to the greater side, through the vertex, will bisect the segment of the base, cut off between the bisecting lines.



## PROPOSITION IV. THEOREM.

*The sides about the equal angles of triangles, which are equiangular to one another, are proportionals; and those which are opposite to the equal angles, are homologous sides.*



Let  $ABC$ ,  $DEF$  be two  $\Delta$ s, having the  $\angle$ s at  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $C$  equal to the  $\angle$ s at  $D$ ,  $E$ ,  $F$  respectively.

*Then must the sides about the equal  $\angle$ s be proportionals, those being homologous sides, which are opposite the equal  $\angle$ s.*

For suppose  $\Delta DEF$  to be applied to  $\Delta ABC$ ,  
so that  $D$  coincides with  $A$  and  $DE$  falls on  $AB$ ;  
then  $\because \angle BAC = \angle EDF$ ,  $\therefore DF$  will fall on  $AC$ .

Let  $G$  and  $H$  be the points in  $AB$  and  $AC$ , or these produced, on which  $E$  and  $F$  fall.

Join  $GH$ .  $GHI$  will be  $\parallel$  to  $BC$ ,  $\because \angle AGH = \angle ABC$ . I. 28.

Then $BA$ is to $GA$ as $CA$ is to $HA$ ,	VI. 2.
and $\therefore BA$ is to $ED$ as $CA$ is to $FD$ ,	V. 6.
whence $BA$ is to $AC$ as $ED$ is to $DF$ .	V. 15.

Similarly, by applying the  $\Delta DEF$ , so that the  $\angle$ s at  $F$ ,  $E$  may coincide with those at  $C$ ,  $B$  successively, we might show that

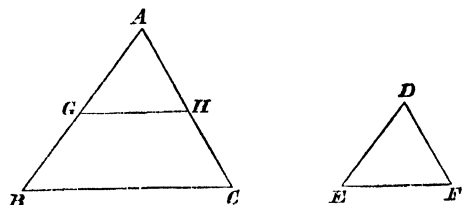
$AC$  is to  $CB$  as  $DF$  is to  $FE$ , and that  
 $CB$  is to  $BA$  as  $FE$  is to  $ED$ .

Q. E. D.

Ex. Divide a given angle into two parts, such that the perpendiculars from any point of the dividing line upon the two arms of the angle may be in a given ratio.

## PROPOSITION V. THEOREM.

*If the sides of two triangles, about each of their angles, be proportionals, the triangles must be equiangular to one another, and must have those angles equal, which are opposite to the homologous sides.*



Let the  $\Delta$ s  $ABC$ ,  $DEF$  have their sides proportional,  
 so that  $BA$  is to  $AC$  as  $ED$  is to  $DF$ ,  
 and  $AC$  is to  $CB$  as  $DF$  is to  $FE$ ,  
 and  $CB$  is to  $BA$  as  $FE$  is to  $ED$ .

Then must  $\Delta ABC$  be equiangular to  $\Delta EDF$ , those  $\angle$ s  
 being equal, which are opposite to the homologous sides, that is,  
 $\angle BAC = \angle EDF$ , and  $\angle ABC = \angle DEF$ , and  $\angle ACB = \angle DFE$ .

In  $AB$ , produced if necessary, make  $AG = DE$ ,  
 and draw  $GH \parallel$  to  $BC$ , meeting  $AC$  in  $H$ . I. 31.

Then  $\Delta AGH$  is equiangular to  $\Delta ABC$ , I. 29.  
 and  $\therefore BA$  is to  $AC$  as  $GA$  is to  $AH$ . VI. 4.

But  $ED$  is to  $DF$  as  $BA$  is to  $AC$ ; Hyp.

and  $\therefore ED$  is to  $DF$  as  $GA$  is to  $AH$ . V. 5.

But  $ED = GA$ , and  $\therefore DF = AH$ . V. 14.

So also it may be shown that  $GH = EF$ .

Then in  $\Delta$ s  $AGH$ ,  $DEF$

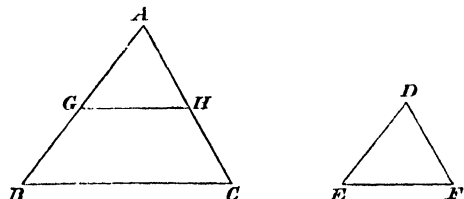
$\therefore GA = ED$ , and  $AH = DF$ , and  $HG = FE$ ,  
 $\therefore \angle GAH = \angle EDF$ ;  $\angle AGH = \angle DEF$ ;  $\angle AHG = \angle DFE$ . I. c.

But  $\angle GAH = \angle BAC$ ;  $\angle AGH = \angle ABC$ ;  $\angle AHG = \angle ACB$ .  
 $\therefore \angle BAC = \angle EDF$ ;  $\angle ABC = \angle DEF$ , and  $\angle ACB = \angle DFE$ .

Q. E. D.

## PROPOSITION VI. THEOREM.

If two triangles have one angle of the one equal to one angle of the other, and the sides about the equal angles proportionals, the triangles must be equiangular to one another, and must have those angles equal, which are opposite to the homologous sides.



In the  $\triangle s$   $ABC$ ,  $DEF$ , let  $\angle BAC = \angle EDF$ ,  
and let  $BA$  be to  $AC$  as  $ED$  to  $DF$ .

Then must  $\triangle ABC$  be equiangular to  $\triangle DEF$ ,  
and  $\angle ABC = \angle DEF$ , and  $\angle ACB = \angle DFE$ .

In  $AB$ , produced if necessary, make  $AG = DE$ ,  
and draw  $GH \parallel$  to  $BC$ .

I. 31.

Then  $\triangle AGH$  is equiangular to  $\triangle ABC$ ,  
and  $\therefore GA$  is to  $AH$  as  $BA$  is to  $AC$ ,  
and  $\therefore GA$  is to  $AH$  as  $ED$  is to  $DF$ .

I. 29.

VI. 4.

V. 5.

But  $GA = ED$ , by construction,  
and  $\therefore AH = DF$ .

V. 11.

Then  $\therefore GA = ED$ , and  $AH = DF$  and  $\angle GAH = \angle EDF$ ;

$\therefore \angle AGH = \angle DEF$ , and  $\angle AHG = \angle DFE$ ,

I. 4.

and  $\therefore \angle ABC = \angle DEF$ , and  $\angle ACB = \angle DFE$ .

Q. E. D.

Ex. 1. If from  $B$ ,  $C$ , the extremities of the base of a triangle  $ABC$ , be drawn  $BD$ ,  $CE$ , perpendicular to the opposite sides, shew that the triangles  $ADE$ ,  $ABC$  are equiangular.

Ex. 2. A variable chord  $OP$  is drawn through a fixed point  $O$  on the circumference of a circle, and  $Q$  is taken in it, so that the rectangle  $OP$ ,  $OQ$  is constant, find the locus of  $Q$ .

*Miscellaneous Exercises on Props. I. to VI.*

1. If two triangles stand on the same base, and their vertices be joined by a straight line, the triangles are as the parts of this line intercepted between the vertices and the base.

2. If a circle be described on the radius of another circle as its diameter, and any straight line be drawn through the point of contact, cutting the two circles, the part intercepted between the greater and lesser circles, shall be equal to the part within the lesser circle.

3. The side  $BC$ , of a triangle  $ABC$ , is bisected in  $D$ , and any straight line is drawn through  $D$ , meeting  $AB$ ,  $AC$ , produced if necessary, in  $E$ ,  $F$ , respectively, and the straight line through  $A$ , parallel to  $BC$ , in  $G$ . Prove that  $DE$  is to  $DF$  as  $GE$  is to  $GF$ .

4. If the angle  $A$ , of the triangle  $ABC$ , be bisected by  $AD$ , which cuts  $BC$  in  $D$ , and  $O$  be the middle point of  $BC$ , then  $OD$  bears the same ratio to  $OB$  that the difference of the sides bears to their sum.

5. The lines drawn from the base of a triangle perpendicular to the line bisecting the vertical angle, are in the same ratio as the sides of the triangle.

6. If  $D$ ,  $E$  be points in the sides  $AB$ ,  $AC$  respectively of the triangle  $ABC$ , such that the triangles  $DAC$ ,  $EAB$  are equal, shew that the sides  $AB$ ,  $AC$  are divided proportionally in  $D$  and  $E$ .

7. If two of the exterior angles, of a triangle  $ABC$ , be bisected by the lines  $COE$ ,  $BOD$ , intersecting in  $O$ , and meeting the opposite sides in  $E$  and  $D$ , prove that  $OD$  is to  $OE$  as  $AD$  is to  $AB$ , and that  $OC$  is to  $OE$  as  $AC$  is to  $AE$ .

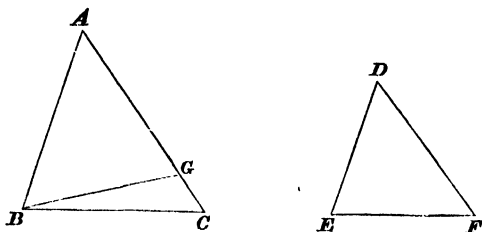
8.  $C$ ,  $B$ , the angles at the base of an isosceles triangle, are joined to the middle points,  $E$ ,  $F$ , of  $AB$ ,  $AC$ , by lines intersecting in  $G$ . Shew that the area  $BCG$  is equal to the area  $AEFG$ .

9. If, through any point in the diagonal of a parallelogram, a straight line be drawn, meeting two opposite sides of the figure, the segments of this line will have the same ratio as those of the diagonal.

10. The sides  $AB$ ,  $AC$ , of a triangle  $ABC$ , are produced to  $D$  and  $E$ , so that  $DE$  is parallel to  $BC$ , and the straight line  $DE$  is divided in  $F$ , so that  $DF$  is to  $FE$  as  $BD$  is to  $CE$ ; shew that the locus of  $F$  is a straight line.

## PROPOSITION VII. THEOREM.

*If two triangles have one angle of the one equal to one angle of the other, and the sides about a second angle in each proportionals; then, if the third angles in each be both acute, both obtuse, or if one of them be a right angle, the triangles must be equiangular to one another, and must have those angles equal, about which the sides are proportionals.*



In the  $\Delta$ s  $ABC$ ,  $DEF$ , let  $\angle BAC = \angle EDF$ ,

and let  $AB$  be to  $BC$  as  $DE$  is to  $EF$ ,

and let  $\angle$ s  $ACB$ ,  $DFF$  be both acute, both obtuse, or let one of them be a right angle.

*Then must  $\Delta$ s  $ABC$ ,  $DEF$  be equiangular to one another, having  $\angle ABC = \angle DEF$ , and  $\angle ACB = \angle DFE$ .*

For if  $\angle ABC$  be not  $= \angle DEF$ , let one of them, as  $\angle ABC$ , be greater than the other, and make  $\angle ABG = \angle DEF$ , I. 23.

and let  $BG$  meet  $AC$  in  $G$ .

Then  $\therefore \angle BAG = \angle EDF$ , and  $\angle ABG = \angle DEF$ ,

$\therefore \Delta ABG$  is equiangular to  $\Delta DEF$ , I. 32.

and  $\therefore AB$  is to  $BG$  as  $DE$  is to  $EF$ . VI. 4.

But  $AB$  is to  $BC$  as  $DE$  is to  $EF$ , Hyp.

$\therefore AB$  is to  $BG$  as  $AB$  is to  $BC$ , V. 5.

and  $\therefore BG = BC$ , V. 8.

and  $\therefore \angle BCG = \angle BGC$ . I. A.

First, let  $\angle ACB$  and  $\angle DFE$  be both acute,

then  $\angle AGB$  is acute, and  $\therefore \angle BGC$  is obtuse ; I. 13.

$\therefore \angle BCG$  is obtuse, which is contrary to the hypothesis.

Next, let  $\angle ACB$  and  $\angle DFE$  be both obtuse,

then  $\angle AGB$  is obtuse, and  $\therefore \angle BGC$  is acute ; I. 13.

$\therefore \angle BCG$  is acute, which is contrary to the hypothesis.

Lastly, let one of the third  $\angle$ s  $ACB$ ,  $DFE$  be a right  $\angle$ .

If  $\angle ACB$  be a rt.  $\angle$ ,

then  $\angle BGC$  is also a rt.  $\angle$  ; I. A.

$\therefore \angle$ s  $BCG$ ,  $BGC$  together = two rt.  $\angle$ s,

which is impossible. I. 17.

Again, if  $\angle DFE$  be a rt.  $\angle$ ,

then  $\angle AGB$  is a rt.  $\angle$ , and  $\therefore \angle BGC$  is a rt.  $\angle$ . I. 13.

Hence  $\angle BCG$  is also a rt.  $\angle$ , I. A.

and  $\therefore \angle$ s  $BCG$ ,  $BGC$  together = two rt.  $\angle$ s,

which is impossible. I. 17.

Hence  $\angle ABC$  is not greater than  $\angle DEF$ .

So also we might shew that  $\angle DEF$  is not greater than  $\angle ABC$ .

$$\therefore \angle ABC = \angle DEF,$$

$$\text{and } \therefore \angle ACB = \angle DFE. \quad \text{I. 32.}$$

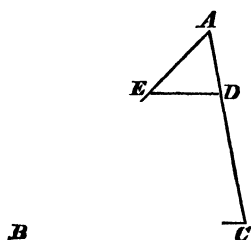
Q. E. D.

*N.B.*—This Proposition is an extension of Proposition E of Book I. p. 42.

*Note.*—We have made a slight change in Euclid's arrangement of the four Propositions that follow, because Eucl. VI. 8 is closely connected with the proof of Eucl. VI. 13.

## PROPOSITION VIII. PROBLEM. (Eucl. vi. 9.)

*From a given straight line to cut off any submultiple.*



Let  $AB$  be the given st. line.

*It is required to shew how to cut off any submultiple from  $AB$ .*

From  $A$  draw  $AC$  making any angle with  $AB$ .

In  $AC$  take any pt.  $D$ , and make  $AC$  the same multiple of  $AD$  that  $AB$  is of the submultiple to be cut off from it.

Join  $BC$ , and draw  $DE \parallel$  to  $BC$ . I. 31.

Then  $\therefore ED$  is  $\parallel$  to  $BC$ ,

$\therefore CD$  is to  $DA$  as  $BE$  is to  $EA$ , VI. 2.

and  $\therefore CA$  is to  $DA$  as  $BA$  is to  $EA$ . V. 16.

$\therefore EA$  is the same submultiple of  $BA$  that  $DA$  is of  $CA$ . V. 19.

Hence from  $AB$  the submultiple required is cut off.

Q. E. F.

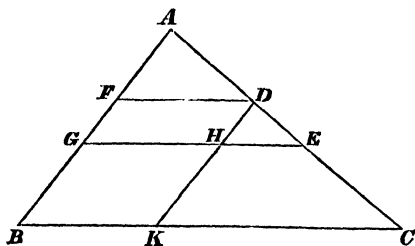
Ex. 1. Cut off one-seventh of a given straight line.

Ex. 2. Cut off two-fifths of a given straight line.

*Note.*—This Proposition is a particular case of Proposition IX.

## PROPOSITION IX. PROBLEM. (Eucl. vi. 10.)

To divide a given straight line similarly to a given straight line.



Let  $AB$  be the st. line given to be divided, and  $AC$  the divided st. line.

*It is required to divide  $AB$  similarly to  $AC$ .*

Let  $AC$  be divided in the pts.  $D, E$ .

Place  $AB, AC$  so as to contain any angle.

Join  $BC$ , and through  $D, E$  draw  $DE, EG \parallel$  to  $BC$ . I. 31.

Through  $D$  draw  $DHK \parallel$  to  $AB$ . I. 31.

Then  $\therefore FHI$  and  $GK$  are  $\square$ s,

$\therefore FG = DH$ , and  $GB = HK$ . I. 34.

And  $\therefore HE$  is  $\parallel$  to  $KC$ ,

$\therefore KH$  is to  $HD$  as  $CE$  is to  $ED$ , VI. 2.

that is,  $BG$  is to  $GF$  as  $CE$  is to  $ED$ .

Again,  $\therefore FD$  is  $\parallel$  to  $GE$ ,

$\therefore GF$  is to  $FA$  as  $ED$  is to  $DA$ . VI. 2.

Hence  $AB$  is divided similarly to  $AC$ .

Q. E. F.

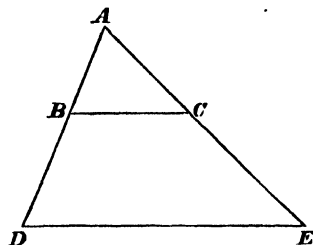
Ex. 1. Produce a given straight line, so that the whole produced line shall be to the produced part in a given ratio.

Ex. 2. On a given base describe a triangle, with a given vertical angle and its sides in a given ratio.



## PROPOSITION X. PROBLEM. (Eucl. vi. 11.)

To find a THIRD proportional to two given straight lines.



Let  $AB$  and  $AC$  be the given st. lines.

*It is required to find a third proportional to  $AB$ ,  $AC$ .*

Place  $AB$ ,  $AC$  so as to contain any angle.

Produce  $AB$ ,  $AC$  to  $D$  and  $E$ , making  $BD = AC$ . I. 3.

Join  $BC$ , and through  $D$  draw  $DE \parallel$  to  $BC$ . I. 31.

Then  $\therefore BC$  is  $\parallel$  to  $DE$ ,

$\therefore AB$  is to  $BD$  as  $AC$  is to  $CE$ , VI. 2.

and  $\therefore AB$  is to  $AC$  as  $AC$  is to  $CE$ . V. 6.

Thus  $CE$  is a third proportional to  $AB$  and  $AC$ .

Q. E. F.

NOTE. This Proposition is a particular case of Proposition XI.

DEF. II. When three magnitudes are proportionals, the first is said to have to the third the duplicate ratio of that, which it has to the second.

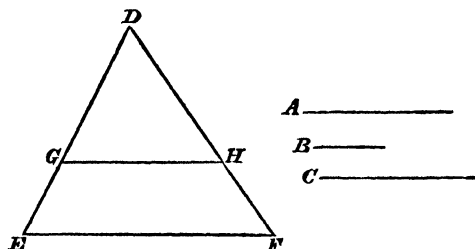
Thus here  $AB$  has to  $CE$  the duplicate ratio of  $AB$  to  $AC$ .

DEF. III. When three magnitudes are proportionals, the first is said to have to the third the ratio compounded of the ratio, which the first has to the second, and of the ratio, which the second has to the third.

Thus here  $AB$  has to  $CE$  the ratio compounded of the ratios of  $AB$  to  $AC$  and  $AC$  to  $CE$ .

## PROPOSITION XI. THEOREM. (Eucl. VI. 12.)

To find a FOURTH proportional to three given straight lines.



Let  $A, B, C$  be the three given st. lines.

- It is required to find a fourth proportional to  $A, B, C$ .

Take  $DE, DF$ , two st. lines making an  $\angle EDF$ , and in these make  $DG = A$ ,  $GE = B$ , and  $DH = C$ , I. 3.

and through  $E$  draw  $EF \parallel$  to  $GH$ . I. 31.

Then,  $\because GH$  is  $\parallel$  to  $EF$ ,

$\therefore DG$  is to  $GE$  as  $DH$  is to  $HF$ , VI. 2.

and  $\therefore A$  is to  $B$  as  $C$  is to  $HF$ . V. 6.

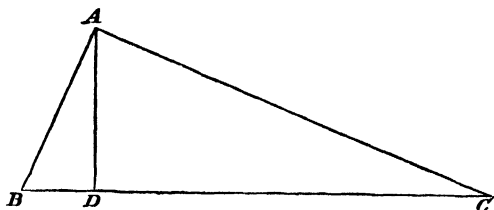
Thus  $HF$  is a fourth proportional to  $A, B, C$ .

Q. E. F.

Ex.  $ABC$  is a triangle inscribed in a circle, and  $BD$  is drawn to meet the tangent to the circle at  $A$  in  $D$ , at an angle  $ABD$  equal to the angle  $ABC$ . Show that  $AC$  is a fourth proportional to the lines  $BD, DA, AB$ .

## PROPOSITION XII. THEOREM. (Eucl. VI. 8.)

*In a right-angled triangle, if a perpendicular be drawn from the right angle to the base, the triangles on each side of it are similar to the whole triangle and to one another.*



Let  $ABC$  be a right-angled  $\Delta$ , having  $\angle BAC$  a rt.  $\angle$ , and from  $A$  let  $AD$  be drawn  $\perp$  to  $BC$ .

*Then must  $\Delta s$   $DBA$ ,  $DAC$  be similar to  $\Delta ABC$ , and to each other.*

For  $\therefore$  rt.  $\angle BDA =$  rt.  $\angle BAC$ , and  $\angle ABD = \angle CBA$ ,  
 $\therefore \angle DAB = \angle ACB$ . I. 32.

$\therefore \Delta DBA$  is equiangular, and  $\therefore$  similar to  $\Delta ABC$ . VI. 4.

In the same way it may be shown

that  $\Delta DAC$  is equiangular, and  $\therefore$  similar to  $\Delta ABC$ .

Hence  $\Delta DBA$  is similar to  $\Delta DAC$ .

Q. E. D.

COR. I.  $DA$  is a mean proportional between  $BD$  and  $DC$ ,

For  $BD$  is to  $DA$  as  $DA$  is to  $DC$ . VI. 4.

COR. II.  $BA$  is a mean proportional between  $BC$  and  $BD$ ,

For  $BC$  is to  $BA$  as  $BA$  is to  $BD$ . VI. 4.

COR. III.  $CA$  is a mean proportional between  $BC$  and  $CD$ ,

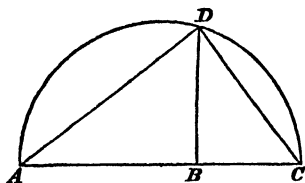
For  $BC$  is to  $CA$  as  $CA$  is to  $CD$ . VI. 4.

Q. E. D.

EX.  $B$  is a fixed point in the circumference of a circle, whose centre is  $C$ ;  $PA$  is a tangent at any point  $P$ , meeting  $CB$  produced in  $A$ , and  $PD$  is drawn perpendicularly to  $CB$ . Prove that the line bisecting the angle  $APD$  always passes through  $B$ .

## PROPOSITION XIII. PROBLEM.

To find a MEAN proportional between two given straight lines.



Let  $AB$  and  $BC$  be the two given st. lines.

It is required to find a mean proportional between  $AB$  and  $BC$ .

Place  $AB$  and  $BC$  so as to make one st. line  $AC$ ,  
and on  $AC$  describe the semicircle  $ADC$ .

From  $B$  draw  $BD \perp$  to  $AC$ , and join  $AD$ ,  $CD$ . I. 11.

Then  $\because \angle ADC$  is a rt.  $\angle$ , III. 31.  
and  $DB$  is  $\perp$  to  $AC$ ,

$\therefore DB$  is a mean proportional between  $AB$  and  $BC$ .

VI. 12, Cor. 1.

Q. E. F.

Ex. 1. Produce a given straight line, so that the given line may be a mean proportional between the whole line and the part produced.

Ex 2 Shew that either of the sides of an isosceles triangle is a mean proportional between the base and the half of the segment of the base, produced if necessary, which is cut off by a straight line, drawn from the vertex, at right angles to the equal side.

Ex. 3. Shew that the diameter of a circle is a mean proportional between the sides of an equilateral triangle and a hexagon, described about the circle.

Ex. 4. From a point  $A$ , outside a circle, a line is drawn, cutting the circle in  $B$  and  $C$ . Find a mean proportional between  $AB$  and  $AC$ .

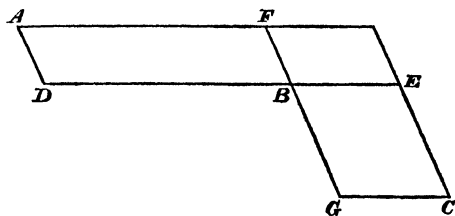
DEF. IV. Two figures are said to have their sides about two of their angles *reciprocally proportional*, when, of the four terms of the proportion, the first antecedent and the second consequent are sides of one figure, and the second antecedent and first consequent are sides of the other figure.

Thus, in the diagram on the opposite page, the figures  $AB$  and  $BC$  have their sides about the angles at  $B$  reciprocally proportional, the order of the proportion being

$DB$  is to  $BE$  as  $GB$  is to  $BF$ .

## PROPOSITION XIV. THEOREM.

*Equal parallelograms, which have one angle of the one equal to one angle of the other, have their sides about the equal angles reciprocally proportional.*



Let  $AB, BC$  be equal  $\square$ s, having  $\angle FBD = \angle EBG$ .

*Then must  $DB$  be to  $BE$  as  $GB$  is to  $BF$ .*

Place the  $\square$ s so that  $DB$  and  $BE$  are in the same st. line ;  
then must  $GB$  and  $BF$  also be in one st. line. I. 14.

Complete the  $\square FE$ .

Then  $\therefore \square AB = \square BC$ , and  $FE$  is another  $\square$ ,

$\therefore \square AB$  is to  $\square FE$  as  $\square BC$  is to  $\square FE$ . V. 6.

But as  $\square AB$  is to  $\square FE$  so is  $DB$  to  $BE$ , VI. 1, COR. I.

and as  $\square BC$  is to  $\square FE$  so is  $GB$  to  $BF$ . VI. 1, COR. I.

$\therefore DB$  is to  $BE$  as  $GB$  is to  $BF$ . V. 5.

And Conversely,

*Parallelograms, which have one angle of the one equal to one angle of the other, and their sides about the equal angles reciprocally proportional, are equal to one another.*

Let the sides about the equal  $\angle$ s be reciprocally proportional, that is, let  $DB$  be to  $BE$  as  $GB$  is to  $BF$ .

*Then must  $\square AB = \square BC$ .*

For, the same construction being made,

$\therefore DB$  is to  $BE$  as  $GB$  is to  $BF$ ,

and that  $DB$  is to  $BE$  as  $\square AB$  is to  $\square FE$ , VI. 1, COR. I.

and that  $GB$  is to  $BF$  as  $\square BC$  is to  $\square FE$ , VI. 1, COR. I.

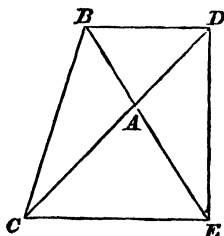
$\therefore \square AB$  is to  $\square FE$  as  $\square BC$  is to  $\square FE$ . V. 5.

and  $\therefore \square AB = \square BC$ . V. 8.

Q. E. D.

## PROPOSITION XV. THEOREM.

*Equal triangles, which have one angle of the one equal to one angle of the other, have their sides about the equal angles reciprocally proportional.*



Let  $ABC, ADE$  be equal  $\triangle$ s, having  $\angle BAC = \angle DAE$ .

*Then must  $CA$  be to  $AD$  as  $EA$  is to  $AB$ .*

Place the  $\triangle$ s so that  $CA$  and  $AD$  are in the same st. line ;  
then must  $EA$  and  $AB$  also be in one st. line. I. 14.

Join  $BD$ .

Then  $\because \triangle ABC = \triangle ADE$ , and  $ABD$  is another  $\triangle$ ,

$\therefore \triangle ABC$  is to  $\triangle ABD$  as  $\triangle ADE$  is to  $\triangle ABD$ . V. 6.

But as  $\triangle ABC$  is to  $\triangle ABD$  so is  $CA$  to  $AD$ , VI. 1.

and as  $\triangle ADE$  is to  $\triangle ABD$  so is  $EA$  to  $AB$ . VI. 1.

$\therefore CA$  is to  $AD$  as  $EA$  is to  $AB$ . V. 5.

Ex. 1. Shew that, provided the sides of one of the triangles be made the extremes, it is indifferent, so far as the truth of the Proposition is concerned, in what order the sides of the other triangle are taken as the means of the four proportionals.

Ex. 2.  $ABb, AcC$  are two given straight lines, cut by two others  $BC, bc$ , so that the two triangles  $ABC, Abc$  may be equal ; shew that the lines  $BC, bc$  divide each other in reciprocal proportion

And Conversely,

*Triangles, which have one angle of the one equal to one angle of the other, and their sides about the equal angles reciprocally proportional, are equal to one another.*

Let the sides about the equal  $\angle$ s be reciprocally proportional, that is, let  $CA$  be to  $AD$  as  $EA$  is to  $AB$ .

*Then must  $\triangle ABC = \triangle ADE$ .*

For, the same construction being made.

$\therefore CA$  is to  $AD$  as  $EA$  is to  $AB$ ,

and that  $CA$  is to  $AD$  as  $\triangle ABC$  is to  $\triangle ABD$ , VI. 1.

and that  $EA$  is to  $AB$  as  $\triangle ADE$  is to  $\triangle ABD$ , VI. 1.

$\therefore \triangle ABC$  is to  $\triangle ABD$  as  $\triangle ADE$  is to  $\triangle ABD$ . V. 5.

and  $\therefore \triangle ABC = \triangle ADE$ . V. 8.

Q. E. D.

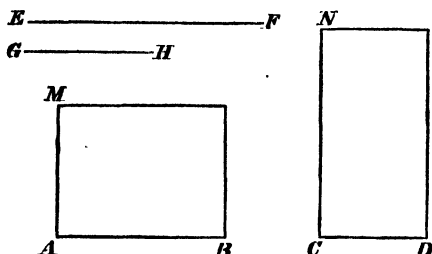
Ex. 3. Through the extremities of the base  $BC$ , of a triangle  $ABC$ , draw two parallel lines,  $BE$  and  $CD$ , meeting  $AC$  and  $AB$  produced in  $E$  and  $D$  respectively, so that  $BCD$  may be equal in area to  $ABE$ .

Ex. 4.  $P$  is any point on the side  $AC$ , of the triangle  $ABC$ ;  $CQ$ , drawn parallel to  $BP$ , meets  $AB$  produced in  $Q$ ;  $AN$ ,  $AM$  are mean proportionals between  $AB$ ,  $AQ$ , and  $AC$ ,  $AP$ , respectively. Shew that the triangle  $ANM$  is equal to the triangle  $ABC$ .



## PROPOSITION XVI. THEOREM.

*If four straight lines be proportionals, the rectangle contained by the extremes is equal to the rectangle contained by the means.*



Let the four st. lines  $AB$ ,  $CD$ ,  $EF$ ,  $GH$  be proportionals, so that  $AB$  is to  $CD$  as  $EF$  is to  $GH$ .

*Then must rect.  $AB$ ,  $GH$  = rect.  $CD$ ,  $EF$ .*

Draw  $AM \perp$  to  $AB$ , and  $CN \perp$  to  $CD$ ; I. 11.

and make  $AM = GH$ , and  $CN = EF$ ;

and complete the  $\square$ s  $BM$ ,  $DN$ . I. 31.

Then  $\therefore AB$  is to  $CD$  as  $EF$  is to  $GH$ ,

and that  $EF = CN$ , and  $GH = AM$ ,

$\therefore AB$  is to  $CD$  as  $CN$  is to  $AM$ . V. 6.

Thus the sides about the equal  $\angle$ s of the equiangular  $\square$ s  $BM$ ,  $DN$  are reciprocally proportional,

and  $\therefore \square BM = \square DN$ ; VI. 14.

that is, rect.  $AB$ ,  $AM$  = rect.  $CD$ ,  $CN$ .

$\therefore$  rect.  $AB$ ,  $GH$  = rect.  $CD$ ,  $EF$ .

Ex. 1. If  $E$  be the middle point of a semicircular arc  $AEB$ , and  $EDC$  be any chord, cutting the diameter in  $D$ , and the circle in  $C$ , prove that the square on  $CE$  is equal to twice the quadrilateral  $AECB$ .

And Conversely,

*If the rectangle contained by the extremes be equal to the rectangle contained by the means, the four straight lines are proportionals.*

Let rect.  $AB, GH = \text{rect. } CD, EF$ .

*Then must  $AB$  be to  $CD$  as  $EF$  is to  $GH$ .*

For, the same construction being made,

$\therefore \text{rect. } AB, GH = \text{rect. } CD, EF$ ,

$\therefore \text{rect. } AB, AM = \text{rect. } CD, CN$ ,

that is,  $\square BM = \square DN$ .

and these  $\square$ s are equiangular to one another,

and  $\therefore$  the sides about the equal  $\angle$ s are reciprocally proportional, VI. 14.

and  $\therefore AB$  is to  $CD$  as  $CN$  is to  $AM$ ,

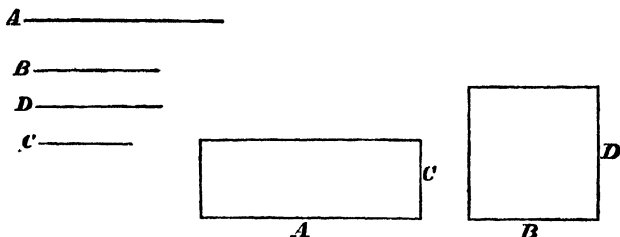
and  $\therefore AB$  is to  $CD$  as  $EF$  is to  $GH$ . V. 6.

Q. E. D.

**Ex. 2.** If, from an angle of a triangle, two straight lines be drawn, one to the side subtending that angle, and the other cutting from the circumscribing circle a segment, capable of containing an angle, equal to the angle, contained by the first drawn line and the side, which it meets; the rectangle, contained by the sides of the triangle, shall be equal to the rectangle, contained by the lines thus drawn.

## PROPOSITION XVII. THEOREM.

*If three straight lines be proportionals, the rectangle contained by the extremes is equal to the square on the mean.*



Let the three st. lines  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $C$  be proportionals, and let  $A$  be to  $B$  as  $B$  is to  $C$ .

*Then must rect.  $A$ ,  $C$  = sq. on  $B$ .*

Take  $D = B$ .

Then  $\therefore A$  is to  $B$  as  $B$  is to  $C$ ,

$\therefore A$  is to  $B$  as  $D$  is to  $C$ ,

V. 6.

and  $\therefore$  rect.  $A$ ,  $C$  = rect.  $B$ ,  $D$ ,

VI. 16.

that is, rect.  $A$ ,  $C$  = sq. on  $B$ .

And Conversely,

*If the rectangle contained by the extremes be equal to the square on the mean, the three straight lines are proportionals.*

Let  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $C$  be three straight lines such that

rect.  $A$ ,  $C$  = sq. on  $B$ .

*Then must  $A$  be to  $B$  as  $B$  is to  $C$ .*

For, the same construction being made,

$\therefore$  rect.  $A$ ,  $C$  = sq. on  $B$ ,

and  $B = D$ ,

$\therefore$  rect.  $A$ ,  $C$  = rect.  $B$ ,  $D$ ;

and  $\therefore A$  is to  $B$  as  $D$  is to  $C$ ,

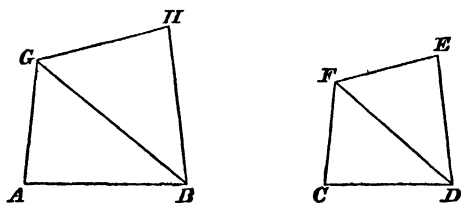
VI. 16.

that is,  $A$  is to  $B$  as  $B$  is to  $C$

V. 6.

## PROPOSITION XVIII. PROBLEM.

*Upon a given straight line to describe a rectilinear figure similar and similarly situated to a given rectilinear figure.*



Let  $AB$  be the given st. line, and  $CDEF$  the given rectil. fig. of four sides.

*It is required to describe on  $AB$  a fig. similar and similarly situated to  $CDEF$ .*

Join  $DF$ , and at  $A$  and  $B$ , make  $\angle BAG = \angle DCF$ , and  $\angle ABG = \angle CDF$ ;

then  $\triangle BAG$  is equiangular to  $\triangle DCF$ .

At  $G$  and  $B$ , make  $\angle BGH = \angle DFE$ , and  $\angle GBH = \angle FDE$ ;

then  $\triangle GHB$  is equiangular to  $\triangle FED$ .

Then  $\therefore \angle AGB = \angle CFD$ , and  $\angle BGH = \angle DFE$ ,

$$\therefore \angle AGH = \angle CFE.$$

Ax. 2.

So also  $\angle ABH = \angle CDE$ .

And we know that  $\angle BAG = \angle DCF$ ,

and that  $\angle GHB = \angle FED$ ,

$\therefore$  rectil. fig.  $ABHG$  is equiangular to fig.  $CDEF$ .

Also,  $\therefore \triangle BAG$  is equiangular to  $\triangle DCF$ ,

$\therefore BA$  is to  $AG$  as  $DC$  is to  $CF$ ; VI. 4.

and  $\therefore \triangle BGH$  is equiangular to  $\triangle DFE$ ,

$\therefore GB$  is to  $GH$  as  $FD$  is to  $FE$ . VI. 4.

Also,  $AG$  is to  $GB$  as  $CF$  is to  $FD$ .

$\therefore AG$  is to  $GH$  as  $CF$  is to  $FE$ . V. 21.

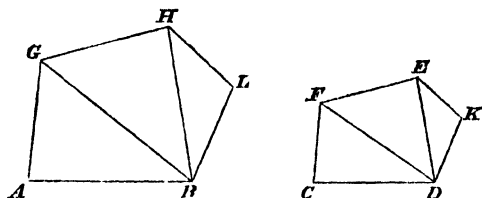
Similarly, it may shown that

$GH$  is to  $HB$  as  $FE$  is to  $ED$ ,

and that  $HB$  is to  $BA$  as  $ED$  is to  $DC$ .

$\therefore$  the rectil. figs.  $ABHG$  and  $CDEF$  are similar.

**NEXT.** Let it be required to describe on  $AB$  a fig., similar and similarly situated to the rectil. fig.  $CDKEF$ .



Join  $DE$ , and on  $AB$  describe the fig.  $ABHG$ , similar and similarly situated to the quadrilateral  $CDEF$ .

At  $B$  and  $H$  make  $\angle HBL = \angle EDK$ , and  $\angle BHL = \angle DEK$ ; then  $\triangle HLB$  is equiangular to  $\triangle EKD$ .

Then  $\therefore$  the figs.  $ABHG$ ,  $CDEF$  are similar,

$$\therefore \angle GHB = \angle FED;$$

and we have made  $\angle BHL = \angle DEK$ ;

$$\therefore \text{whole } \angle GHL = \text{whole } \angle FEK. \quad \text{Ax. 2.}$$

For the same reason,  $\angle ABL = \angle CDK$ .

Thus the fig.  $AGHLB$  is equiangular to fig.  $CFEKD$ .

Again,  $\therefore$  the figs.  $AGHB$ ,  $CFED$  are similar,

$$\therefore GH \text{ is to } HB \text{ as } FE \text{ is to } ED:$$

also we know that  $HB$  is to  $HL$  as  $ED$  is to  $EK$ , VI. 4.

$$\therefore GH \text{ is to } HL \text{ as } FE \text{ is to } EK. \quad \text{V. 21.}$$

For the same reason,  $AB$  is to  $BL$  as  $CD$  is to  $DK$ .

$$\text{And } BL \text{ is to } LH \text{ as } DK \text{ is to } KE; \quad \text{VI. 4.}$$

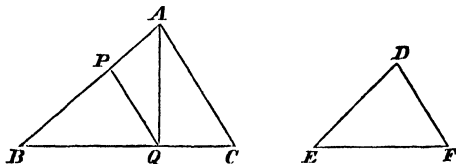
$\therefore$  the five-sided figs.  $AGHLB$ ,  $CFEKD$  are similar.

In the same way a fig. of six or more sides may be described, on a given line, similar to a given fig.

Q. E. F.

## PROPOSITION XIX. THEOREM.

*Similar triangles are to one another in the duplicate ratio of their homologous sides.*



Let  $ABC, DEF$  be similar  $\Delta$ s,  
having  $\angle$ s at  $A, B, C = \angle$ s at  $D, E, F$  respectively,  
so that  $BC$  and  $EF$  are homologous sides.

*Then must  $\Delta ABC$  have to  $\Delta DEF$  the duplicate ratio of that which  $BC$  has to  $EF$ .*

Suppose  $\Delta DEF$  to be applied to  $\Delta ABC$ , so that  
 $E$  lies on  $B, ED$  on  $BA$ , and  $\therefore EF$  on  $BC$ .

Let  $P$  and  $Q$  be the pts. in  $BA, BC$  on which  $D$  and  $F$  fall.

Join  $AQ$ .

Then  $\Delta ABC$  is to  $\Delta ABQ$  as  $BC$  is to  $BQ$ , VI. 1.

and  $\Delta ABQ$  is to  $\Delta PBQ$  as  $AB$  is to  $BP$ . VI. 1.

But  $AB$  is to  $BP$  as  $BC$  is to  $BQ$ , VI. 4.

$\therefore \Delta ABQ$  is to  $\Delta PBQ$  as  $BC$  is to  $BQ$ . V. 5.

Hence  $\Delta ABC$  is to  $\Delta ABQ$  as  $\Delta ABQ$  is to  $\Delta PBQ$ . V. 5.

$\therefore \Delta ABC$  has to  $\Delta PBQ$  the duplicate ratio  
of  $\Delta ABC$  to  $\Delta ABQ$ ; VI. Def. 2.

$\therefore \Delta ABC$  has to  $\Delta PBQ$  the duplicate ratio  
of  $BC$  to  $BQ$ . V. 5.

that is,  $\Delta ABC$  has to  $\Delta DEF$  the duplicate ratio  
of  $BC$  to  $EF$ .

Q. E. D.

COR. If  $MN$  be a third proportional to  $BC$  and  $EF$ ,  
 $BC$  has to  $MN$  the duplicate ratio of  $BC$  to  $EF$ , VI. Def. 2.  
and  $\therefore BC$  is to  $MN$  as  $\Delta ABC$  is to  $\Delta DEF$ .

*Miscellaneous Exercises chiefly on Proposition XIX.*

Ex. 1. Prove this Proposition without drawing any line inside either of the triangles.

Ex. 2. In the figure, if  $BC$  be equal to  $FD$ , shew that the triangles will be in the ratio of  $AC$  to  $EF$ .

Ex. 3. Cut off the third part of a triangle by a straight line parallel to one of its sides.

Ex. 4.  $AB, AC$  are bisected in  $D$  and  $E$ . Prove that the quadrilateral  $DBCE$  is equal to three times the triangle  $ADE$ .

Ex. 5. If a regular hexagon, a square, and an equilateral triangle be inscribed in the same circle, prove that the squares described on their sides are proportional to the numbers 1, 2, 3.

Ex. 6. A straight line drawn parallel to the diagonal  $BD$  of a parallelogram  $ABCD$  meets  $AB, BC, CD, DA$ , in  $E, F, G, H$ . Prove that the triangles  $AFG, CEH$  are equal.

Ex. 7. If two triangles have an angle equal, and be to each other in the duplicate ratio of adjacent sides, they are similar.

Ex. 8. If two triangles have a common angle, shew that the areas of the triangles are proportional to the rectangles contained by the sides of the triangles about the common angle.

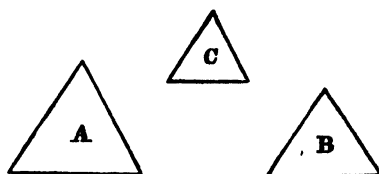
Ex. 9. From the extremities  $A, B$ , of the diameter of a circle, perpendiculars  $AY, BZ$ , are let fall on the tangent at any point  $C$ . Prove that the areas of the triangles  $ACY, BCZ$  are together equal to that of the triangle  $ACB$ .

Ex. 10. If to the circle, circumscribing the triangle  $ABC$ , a tangent at  $C$  be drawn, cutting  $AB$  produced in  $D$ , shew that  $AD$  is to  $DB$  in the duplicate ratio of  $AC$  to  $CB$ .

Ex. 11. Construct a triangle which shall be to a given triangle in a given ratio.

## PROPOSITION XX. THEOREM. (Eucl. vi. 21.)

*Rectilinear figures, which are similar to the same rectilinear figure, are also similar to each other.*



Let each of the rectilinear figures *A* and *B* be similar to the rectilinear figure *C*.

*Then must the figure A be similar to the figure B.*

For  $\because$  *A* is similar to *C*,

$\therefore$  *A* is equiangular to *C*,

and *A* and *C* have their sides about the equal  $\angle$ s proportional.  
VI. Def. 1.

Again,  $\because$  *B* is similar to *C*,

$\therefore$  *B* is equiangular to *C*,

and *B* and *C* have their sides about the equal  $\angle$ s proportional.  
VI. Def. 1.

Hence *A* and *B* are each equiangular to *C*, and have the sides about the equal  $\angle$ s of each of them and of *C* proportional.

$\therefore$  *A* is equiangular to *B*,

Ax. 1.

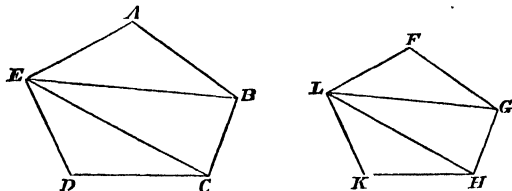
and *A* and *B* have their sides about the equal  $\angle$ s proportional.  
V. 5.

$\therefore$  the figure *A* is similar to the figure *B*. VI. Def. 1



## PROPOSITION XXI. THEOREM. (Eucl. VI. 20.)

*Similar polygons may be divided into the same number of similar triangles, having the same ratio to one another, which the polygons have; and the polygons are to one another in the duplicate ratio of their homologous sides.*



Let  $ABCDE$ ,  $FGHLK$  be similar polygons, and let  $AB$  be the side homologous to  $FG$ .

I. *The polygons may be divided into the same number of similar  $\Delta$ s.*

II. *These  $\Delta$ s have each to each the same ratio which the polygons have.*

III. *The polygon  $ABCDE$  has to the polygon  $FGHLK$  the duplicate ratio of that which the side  $AB$  has to the side  $FG$ .*

Join  $BE$ ,  $EC$ ,  $GL$ ,  $LH$ : then

I.  $\therefore$  the polygon  $ABCDE$  is similar to the polygon  $FGHLK$ ,

$$\therefore \angle BAE = \angle GFL,$$

and  $BA$  is to  $AE$  as  $GF$  is to  $FL$ .

$$\therefore \Delta ABE \text{ is similar to } \Delta FGL.$$

VI. 6 and 4.

$$\text{and } \therefore \angle ABE = \angle FGL.$$

VI. Def. 1.

Again,  $\therefore$  the polygons are similar,

$$\therefore \angle ABC = \angle FGH,$$

VI. Def. 1.

$$\text{and } \therefore \angle EBC = \angle LGH;$$

Ax. 3.

and  $\therefore$  the  $\Delta$ s  $ABE$ ,  $FGL$  are similar,

$$\therefore EB \text{ is to } AB \text{ as } LG \text{ is to } FG;$$

VI. Def. 1.

also,  $\therefore$  the polygons are similar,

$$\therefore AB \text{ is to } BC \text{ as } FG \text{ is to } GH;$$

VI. Def. 1.

$$\text{and } \therefore EB \text{ is to } BC \text{ as } LG \text{ is to } GH,$$

V. 21.

$$\text{and } \therefore \text{since } \angle EBC = \angle LGH,$$

the  $\Delta EBC$  is similar to  $\Delta LGH$ .

VI. 6 and 4.

For the same reason the  $\Delta ECD$  is similar to  $\Delta LHK$ .

Thus the polygons are divided into the same number of similar  $\Delta$ s.

II.  $\therefore \triangle ABE$  is similar to  $\triangle FGL$ ,

$\therefore \triangle ABE$  has to  $\triangle FGL$  the duplicate ratio of  
 $BE$  to  $GL$ . VI. 19.

So also,  $\triangle EBC$  has to  $\triangle LGH$  the duplicate ratio of  
 $BE$  to  $GL$ . VI. 19.

$\therefore \triangle ABE$  is to  $\triangle FGL$  as  $\triangle EBC$  is to  $\triangle LGH$ . V. 5.

Again,  $\therefore \triangle EBC$  is similar to  $\triangle LGH$ ,

$\therefore \triangle EBC$  has to  $\triangle LGH$  the duplicate ratio of  
 $EC$  to  $LH$ . VI. 19.

So also,  $\triangle ECD$  has to  $\triangle LHK$  the duplicate ratio of  
 $EC$  to  $LH$ . VI. 19.

$\therefore \triangle EBC$  is to  $\triangle LGH$  as  $\triangle ECD$  is to  $\triangle LHK$ . V. 5.

But  $\triangle EBC$  is to  $\triangle LGH$  as  $\triangle ABE$  is to  $\triangle FGL$ .

$\therefore$  as  $\triangle ABE$  is to  $\triangle FGL$  so is  $\triangle EBC$  to  $\triangle LGH$ ,

and  $\triangle ECD$  to  $\triangle LHK$ .

Now as one of the antecedents is to one of the consequents  
 so are all the antecedents together to all the consequents  
 together, V. 10.

and  $\therefore \triangle ABE$  is to  $\triangle FGL$  as polygon  $ABCDE$  is to polygon  
 $FGHKL$ .

III. Since  $\triangle ABE$  has to  $\triangle FGL$  the duplicate ratio of  
 $AB$  to  $FG$ , VI. 19.

$\therefore$  polygon  $ABCDE$  has to polygon  $FGHKL$  the duplicate  
 ratio of  $AB$  to  $FG$ . V. 5.

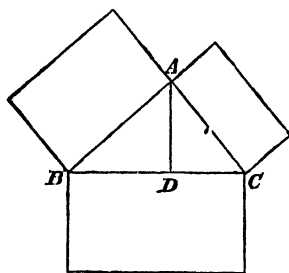
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COR. I. In like manner it may be proved, that similar  
 figures of *four* or *any number* of sides, are to one another in  
 the duplicate ratio of their homologous sides: and it has been  
 already proved for *triangles*, VI. 19. Therefore, universally,  
 similar rectilinear figures are to one another in the duplicate  
 ratio of their homologous sides.

COR. II. If  $MN$  be a third proportional to  $AB$  and  $FG$ ,  $AB$  has to  $MN$  the duplicate ratio of  $AB$  to  $FG$ , VI. Def. 2. and  $\therefore AB$  is to  $MN$  as the figure on  $AB$  to the similar and similarly described figure on  $FG$ ; that being true in the case of quadrilaterals and polygons, which has been already proved for triangles. VI. 19 Cor.

PROPOSITION XXII. THEOREM. (Eucl. vi. 31.)

*In right-angled triangles, the rectilinear figure, described upon the side opposite to the right angle, is equal to the similar and similarly described figures upon the sides containing the right angle.*



Let  $ABC$  be a right-angled  $\Delta$ , having the right  $\angle BAC$ .

*Then must the rectilinear figure, described on  $BC$ , be equal to the similar and similarly described figures on  $BA$ ,  $AC$ .*

Draw  $AD \perp$  to  $BC$ .

Then  $\Delta ABC$  is similar to  $\Delta DBA$ , VI. 12.

and  $\therefore BC$  is to  $BA$  as  $BA$  is to  $BD$ , VI. 4.

and  $\therefore$  as  $BC$  is to  $BD$  so is the figure described on  $BC$  to the similar and similarly described figure on  $BA$ , VI. 21, Cor. 2.

and  $\therefore$  as  $BD$  is to  $BC$  so is figure on  $BA$  to figure on  $BC$ . V. 12.

For the same reason

as  $DC$  is to  $BC$  so is figure on  $AC$  to figure on  $BC$ .

Hence as  $BD$ ,  $DC$  together are to  $BC$  so are figures on  $BA$ ,  $AC$  together to figure on  $BC$ . V. 22.

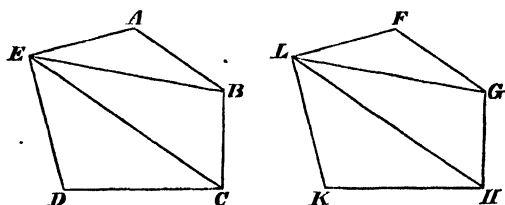
But  $BD$ ,  $DC$  together are equal to  $BC$ , and

$\therefore$  figures on  $BA$ ,  $AC$  together = figure on  $BC$ . V. 18.

NOTE.—The Proposition which follows is not given by Euclid, but is necessary to the proof of Prop. XXIV.

PROPOSITION XXIII. THEOREM.

If two rectilinear figures be equal and also similar, their homologous sides must be equal, each to each.



Let the rectil. figs.  $ABCDE$ ,  $FGHLK$  be equal and similar, and let  $DC$  and  $KH$  be homologous sides of the figures.

Then must  $DC = KH$ .

For, if not, let  $DC$  be greater than  $KH$ .

Then  $\therefore DC$  is to  $DE$  as  $KH$  is to  $KL$ ,

$\therefore DE$  is greater than  $KL$ . V. 14.

Hence if  $\triangle KHL$  be applied to  $\triangle DEC$ , so that  $KH$  falls on  $DC$  and  $KL$  on  $DE$  (for  $\angle HKL = \angle CDE$ ),  $HL$  will fall entirely within  $\triangle DEC$ ,

$\therefore \triangle KHL$  is less than  $\triangle DEC$ .

But  $\therefore \triangle DEC$  is to  $\triangle KHL$  as figure  $ABCDE$  is to figure  $FGHLK$ , VI. 21.

and figure  $ABCDE = \text{figure } FGHLK$

$\therefore \triangle DEC = \triangle KHL$ , V. 18.

or the greater = the less, which is impossible.

$\therefore DC$  is not greater than  $KH$ .

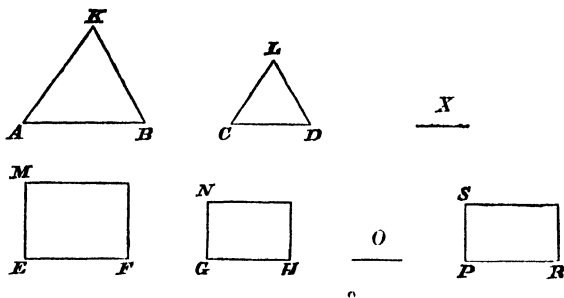
Similarly it may be shown that  $DC$  is not less than  $KH$ .

$\therefore DC = KH$ .

Q. E. D.

## PROPOSITION XXIV. (Eucl. VI. 22.)

*If four straight lines be proportionals, the similar rectilinear figures similarly described upon them must also be proportionals.*



Let the four straight lines  $AB$ ,  $CD$ ,  $EF$ ,  $GH$  be proportionals, that is,  $AB$  to  $CD$  as  $EF$  is to  $GH$  ;

and upon  $AB$ ,  $CD$  let the similar rectilinear figures  $KAB$ ,  $LCD$  be similarly described ; and upon  $EF$ ,  $GH$  the similar rectilinear figures  $MEF$ ,  $NH$  in like manner.

*Then must  $KAB$  be to  $LCD$  as  $MEF$  is to  $NH$ .*

To  $AB$ ,  $CD$  take a third proportional  $X$  and

to  $EF$ ,  $GH$  take a third proportional  $O$ . VI. 10.

Then  $\therefore AB$  is to  $CD$  as  $EF$  is to  $GH$ ,

$\therefore CD$  is to  $X$  as  $GH$  is to  $O$ , V. 5.

and  $\therefore AB$  is to  $X$  as  $EF$  is to  $O$ . V. 21.

But as  $AB$  is to  $X$  so is  $KAB$  to  $LCD$ , VI. 21, Cor. 2.

and as  $EF$  is to  $O$  so is  $MEF$  to  $NH$ . VI. 21, Cor. 2.

$\therefore KAB$  is to  $LCD$  as  $MEF$  is to  $NH$ . V. 5.

And Conversely,

*If the similar figures, similarly described on four straight lines, be proportionals, those straight lines must be proportionals.*

The same construction being made,

let  $KAB$  be to  $LCD$  as  $MF$  is to  $NH$ ,

then must  $AB$  be to  $CD$  as  $EF$  is to  $GH$ .

Make as  $AB$  to  $CD$  so  $EF$  to  $PR$ ,

VI. 11.

and on  $PR$  describe the rectilinear figure  $SR$ , similar and similarly situated to either of the figures  $MF$ ,  $NH$ .

VI. 18.

Then, by the first part of the proposition,

$KAB$  is to  $LCD$  as  $MF$  is to  $SR$ .

But  $KAB$  is to  $LCD$  as  $MF$  is to  $NH$ .

Hyp.

$\therefore SR = NH$ ,

V. 8.

Also,  $SR$  and  $NH$  are similar and similarly situated,

and  $\therefore PR = GH$ .

VI. 23.

Now  $AB$  is to  $CD$  as  $EF$  is to  $PR$ ,

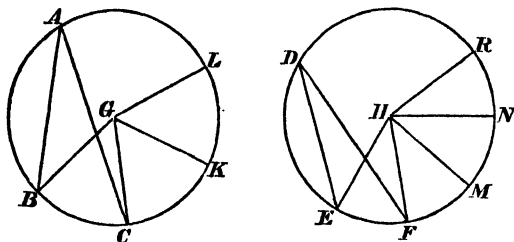
and  $\therefore AB$  is to  $CD$  as  $EF$  is to  $GH$ .

V. 6

Q. E. D.

## PROPOSITION XXV. THEOREM. (Eucl. VI. 33.)

*In equal circles, angles, whether at the centres or the circumferences, have to one another the same ratio as the arcs which subtend them; and so also have the sectors.*



In the equal  $\odot$ s  $ABC$ ,  $DEF$  let the  $\angle$ s  $BGC$ ,  $EHF$  at the centres, and the  $\angle$ s  $BAC$ ,  $EDF$  at the circumferences, be subtended by the arcs  $BC$ ,  $EF$ .

Then I.  $\angle BGC$  must be to  $\angle EHF$  as arc  $BC$  is to arc  $EF$ .

Take any number of arcs  $CK$ ,  $KL$ , each  $= BC$ ,  
and any number of arcs  $FM$ ,  $MN$ ,  $NR$  each  $= EF$ .

Then  $\therefore$  arcs  $BC$ ,  $CK$ ,  $KL$  are all equal,

$\therefore \angle$ s  $BGC$ ,  $CGK$ ,  $KGL$  are all equal. III. 27.

$\therefore \angle BGL$  is the same multiple of  $\angle BGC$  that  
arc  $BL$  is of arc  $BC$ .

So also,  $\angle EHR$  is the same multiple of  $\angle EHF$  that  
arc  $ER$  is of arc  $EF$ .

And  $\angle BGL$  is equal to, greater than, or less than  
 $\angle EHR$ ,

according as arc  $BL$  is equal to, greater than, or less than  
arc  $ER$ . III. 27.

Now  $\angle BGL$  and arc  $BL$  are equimultiples of  $\angle BGC$  and arc  $BC$ ,  
and  $\angle EHR$  and arc  $ER$  are equimultiples of  $\angle EHF$  and arc  $EF$ .

$\therefore \angle BGC$  is to  $\angle EHF$  as arc  $BC$  is to arc  $EF$ . V. Def. 5.

II.  $\angle BAC$  must be to  $\angle EDF$  as arc  $BC$  is to arc  $EF$ .

For  $\because \angle BGC = \text{twice } \angle BAC$ , and  $\angle EHF = \text{twice } \angle EDF$ ,

III. 20.

$\therefore \angle BAC$  is to  $\angle EDF$  as  $\angle BGC$  is to  $\angle EHF$ , V. 11.

and  $\therefore \angle BAC$  is to  $\angle EDF$  as arc  $BC$  is to arc  $EF$ . V. 5.

III. Sector  $BGC$  must be to sector  $EHF$  as arc  $BC$  is to arc  $EF$ .

For sectors  $BGC$ ,  $CGK$ ,  $KGL$  are all equal, III. 26, Cor.

and sectors  $EHF$ ,  $FHM$ ,  $MHN$ ,  $NHR$ , are all equal,

III. 26, Cor.

$\therefore$  sector  $BGL$  is the same multiple of sector  $BGC$  that arc  $BL$  is of arc  $BC$ ,

and sector  $EHR$  is the same multiple of sector  $EHF$  that arc  $ER$  is of arc  $EF$ ;

also, sector  $BGL$  is equal to, greater than or less than sector  $EHR$ , according as

arc  $BL$  is equal to, greater than, or less than arc  $ER$ , III. 26.

and  $\therefore$  sector  $BGC$  is to sector  $EHF$  as arc  $BC$  is to arc  $EF$ .

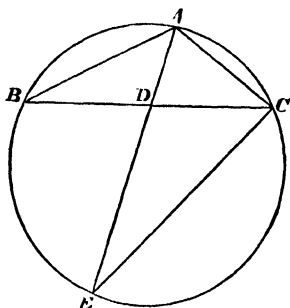
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COR. In the same circle, angles, whether at the centres or the circumferences, have the same ratio as the arcs which subtend them, and so also have the sectors.



## PROPOSITION B. THEOREM.

If an angle of a triangle be bisected by a straight line, which likewise cuts the base; the rectangle, contained by the sides of the triangle, is equal to the rectangle, contained by the segments of the base, together with the square on the line bisecting the angle.



Let  $\angle BAC$  of the  $\triangle ABC$  be bisected by the st. line  $AD$ .

Then  $\text{rect. } BA, AC = \text{rect. } BD, DC$  together with  $\text{sq. on } AD$ .

Describe the  $\odot ABC$  about the  $\triangle$ , III. B. p. 135.  
 produce  $AD$  to meet the  $\odot$  in  $E$ , and join  $EC$ .

Then  $\because \angle BAD = \angle CAE$ , Hyp.

and  $\angle ABD = \angle AEC$ , in the same segment, III. 21.

$\therefore \triangle ABD$  is equiangular to  $\triangle AEC$ . I. 32.

$\therefore BA$  is to  $AD$  as  $EA$  is to  $AC$ . VI. 4.

$\therefore \text{rect. } BA, AC = \text{rect. } EA, AD$ , VI. 16.

$= \text{rect. } ED, DA$  together with  $\text{sq. on } AD$ .

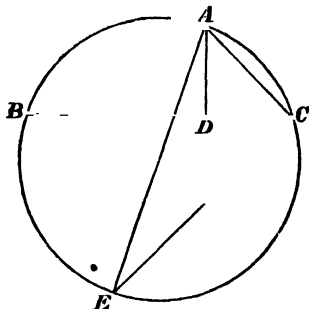
II. 3.

$= \text{rect. } BD, DC$  together with  $\text{sq. on } AD$ .

III. 35.

## PROPOSITION C. THEOREM.

If from any angle of a triangle a straight line be drawn perpendicular to the base, the rectangle, contained by the sides of the triangle, is equal to the rectangle, contained by the perpendicular and the diameter of the circle described about the triangle.



Let  $ABC$  be a  $\Delta$ , and  $AD$  the  $\perp$  from  $A$  to  $BC$ .

Describe the  $\odot ABC$  about the  $\Delta ABC$ ,

III. B.

draw the diameter  $AE$ , and join  $EC$ .

Then must rect.  $BA, AC = \text{rect. } EA, AD$ .

For  $\because$  rt.  $\angle BDA = \angle ECA$ , in a semicircle,

III. 31.

and  $\angle ABD = \angle AEC$ , in the same segment,

III. 21.

$\therefore \Delta ABD$  is equiangular to the  $\Delta AEC$ .

I. 32.

$\therefore BA$  is to  $AD$  as  $EA$  is to  $AC$ ,

VI. 4.

and  $\therefore \text{rect. } BA, AC = \text{rect. } EA, AD$ .

VI. 16.

Q. E. D.

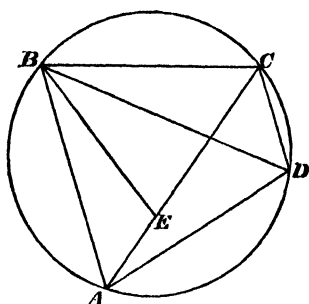
Ex. 1. Shew that the rectangle contained by the two sides can never be less than twice the triangle.

Ex. 2.  $ABC$  is a triangle, and  $AM$  the perpendicular upon  $BC$ , and  $P$  any point in  $BC$ ; if  $O, O'$  be the centres of the circles described about  $ABP, ACP$ , the rectangle  $AP, BC$  is double of the rectangle of  $AM, OO'$ .

Ex. 3. A bisector of an angle of a triangle is produced to meet the circumscribed circle. Prove that the rectangle, contained by this whole line and the part of it within the triangle, is equal to the rectangle contained by the two sides.

## PROPOSITION D. THEOREM.

*The rectangle, contained by the diagonals of a quadrilateral inscribed in a circle, is equal to the sum of the rectangles, contained by its opposite sides.*



Let  $ABCD$  be any quadrilateral inscribed in a  $\odot$ .

Join  $AC$ ,  $BD$ .

Then  $\text{rect. } AC, BD = \text{rect. } AB, CD \text{ together with rect. } AD, BC$ .

Make  $\angle ABE = \angle DBC$ ; I. 23.

and add to each the  $\angle EBD$ .

Then  $\angle ABD = \angle CBE$ ;

and  $\angle BDA = \angle BCE$  in the same segment; III. 21.

$\therefore \triangle ABD$  is equiangular to  $\triangle BCE$ , I. 32.

$\therefore AD$  is to  $BD$  as  $CE$  is to  $BC$ , VI. 4.

and  $\therefore \text{rect. } AD, BC = \text{rect. } BD, CE$ . VI. 16.

Again,  $\because \angle ABE = \angle DBC$ , by construction,

and  $\angle BAE = \angle BDC$ , in the same segment, III. 21.

$\therefore \triangle ABE$  is equiangular to  $\triangle BCD$ . I. 32.

$\therefore AB$  is to  $AE$  as  $BD$  is to  $CD$ , VI. 4.

and  $\therefore \text{rect. } AB, CD = \text{rect. } BD, AE$ . VI. 16.

Hence  $\text{rect. } AB, CD \text{ together with rect. } AD, BC$

$= \text{rect. } BD, AE \text{ together with rect. } BD, CE$ .

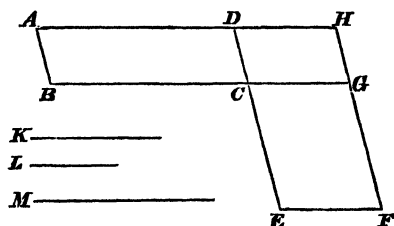
$= \text{rect. } AC, BD$ . II. 1.

Q. E. D.

**Ex.** If the diagonals cut one another at an angle equal to one third of a right angle, the rectangles contained by the opposite sides are together equal to four times the quadrilateral figure.

## PROPOSITION XXVI. THEOREM. (Eucl. vi. 23.)

*Equiangular parallelograms have to one another the ratio, which is compounded of the ratios of their sides.*



Let  $AC$  and  $CF$  be equiangular  $\square$ s, having  $\angle BCD = \angle ECG$ .

*Then must  $\square AC$  have to  $\square CF$  the ratio compounded of the ratios of their sides.*

Let  $BC$  and  $CG$  be placed in a straight line.

Then  $DC$  and  $CE$  are also in a straight line. I. 14.

Complete the  $\square DG$ , and taking any st. line  $K$ ,

make as  $BC$  is to  $CG$  so  $K$  to  $L$  VI. 11.

and make as  $DC$  is to  $CE$  so  $L$  to  $M$ . VI. 11.

Then  $\therefore K$  has to  $M$  the ratio compounded of the ratios of  $K$  to  $L$  and  $L$  to  $M$ ,

$\therefore K$  has to  $M$  the ratio compounded of the ratios of the sides. VI. Def. 3, p. 260.

Now  $BC$  is to  $CG$  as  $\square AC$  is to  $\square CH$ , VI. 1.

and  $DC$  is to  $CE$  as  $\square CH$  is to  $\square CF$ , VI. 1.

$\therefore K$  is to  $L$  as  $\square AC$  is to  $\square CH$ , V. 5.

and  $L$  is to  $M$  as  $\square CH$  is to  $\square CF$ , V. 5.

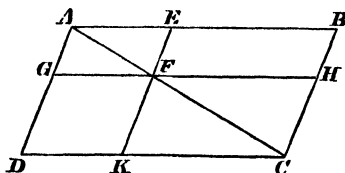
Hence  $K$  is to  $M$  as  $\square AC$  is to  $\square CF$ ; V. 21.

and  $\therefore \square AC$  has to  $\square CF$  the ratio compounded of the ratios of their sides.

Q. E. D.

## PROPOSITION XXVII. THEOREM. (Eucl. vi. 24).

*Parallelograms about the diameter of any parallelogram are similar to the whole parallelogram and to one another.*



Let  $ABCD$  be a  $\square$ , of which the diameter is  $AC$ ; and  $AEFG$ ,  $FHCK$  the  $\square$ s about the diameter.

*Then must these  $\square$ s be similar to  $ABCD$  and to each other.*

For  $\because GF$  is  $\parallel$  to  $DC$ ,  $\therefore \angle AGF = \angle ADC$ , I. 29.

and  $\because EF$  is  $\parallel$  to  $BC$ ,  $\therefore \angle AEF = \angle ABC$ ; I. 29.

and each of the  $\angle$ s  $EFG$ ,  $BCD$  = opposite  $\angle$   $BAD$ , I. 34.

and  $\therefore \angle EFG = \angle BCD$ . Ax. 1.

Thus the  $\square$ s  $AEFG$ ,  $ABCD$  are equiangular to one another.

Again,  $\because EF$  is  $\parallel$  to  $BC$ ,

$\therefore AB$  is to  $BC$  as  $AE$  is to  $EF$ ; VI. 4.

and since the opposite sides of the  $\square$ s are equal,

$\therefore AB$  is to  $AD$  as  $AE$  is to  $AG$ , V. 6.

and  $DC$  is to  $CB$  as  $GF$  is to  $FE$ , V. 6.

and  $CD$  is to  $DA$  as  $FG$  is to  $GA$ . V. 6.

Thus the sides of the  $\square$ s  $AEFG$ ,  $ABCD$  about their equal angles are proportional.

$\therefore \square AEFB$  is similar to  $\square ABCD$ .

Similarly,  $\square FHCK$  is similar to  $\square ABCD$ ;

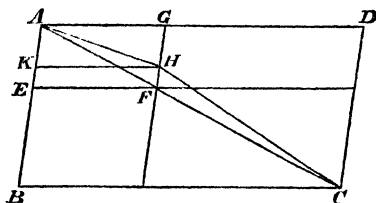
and  $\therefore \square AEFB$  is similar to  $\square FHCK$ . VI. 20.

Q. E. D.

**Ex.** Show that each of the complements of the parallelogram is a mean proportional between the parallelograms about the diameter

## PROPOSITION XXVIII. THEOREM. (Eucl. VI. 26.)

*If two similar parallelograms have a common angle, and be similarly situated, they are about the same diameter.*



Let the  $\square$ s  $ABCD$ ,  $AEEFG$  be similar and similarly situated, and have  $\angle DAB$  common.

*Then must  $ABCD$  and  $AEEFG$  be about the same diameter.*

For, if not, let  $ABCD$  have its diameter,  $AHC$ , not in the same st. line with  $AF$ , the diameter of  $AEEFG$ .

Let  $GF$  meet  $AHC$  in  $H$ , and draw  $HK \parallel$  to  $AD$ . I. 31.

Then  $\square$ s  $ABCD$ ,  $AKHG$ , about the same diameter, are similar. VI. 27.

and  $\therefore DA$  is to  $AB$  as  $GA$  is to  $AK$ . VI. Def. 1.

But  $\because ABCD$ ,  $AEEFG$  are similar  $\square$ s,

$\therefore DA$  is to  $AB$  as  $GA$  is to  $AE$ .

Hence  $GA$  is to  $AK$  as  $GA$  is to  $AE$ , V. 5.

and  $\therefore AK = AE$ , V. 8.

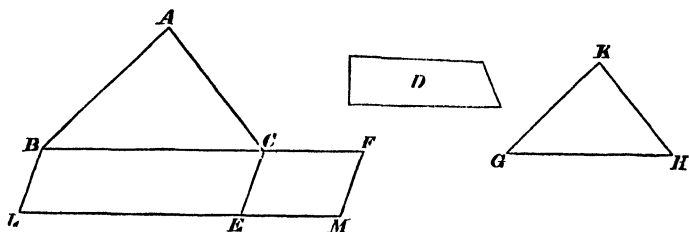
the less = the greater, which is impossible.

$\therefore ABCD$  and  $AKHG$  are not about the same diameter, and  $\therefore ABCD$  and  $AEEFG$  must have their diameters in the same st. line, that is, they are about the same diameter.

Q. E. D.

## PROPOSITION XXIX. PROBLEM. (Eucl. vi. 25.)

To describe a rectilinear figure which shall be similar to one, and equal to another, given rectilinear figure.



Let  $ABC$  and  $D$  be two given rectilinear figures.

It is required to describe a figure similar to  $ABC$  and equal to  $D$ .

On  $BC$  describe the  $\square BLEC$  equal to  $ABC$ , and I. 45, Cor.  
on  $CE$  describe the  $\square CEFM$  equal to  $D$ , I. 45, Cor.  
and having  $\angle FCE = \angle CBL$ .

Then  $BC$  and  $CF$  are in a straight line, I. 29 and 14.  
and  $LE$  and  $EM$  are in a straight line.

Find  $GH$ , a mean proportional between  $BC$  and  $CF$ , VI. 13.  
and on  $GH$  describe the rectilinear figure  $KGH$ , similar and similarly situated to  $ABC$ . VI. 18.

Then  $\therefore BC$  is to  $GH$  as  $GH$  is to  $CF$ ,

$\therefore$  as  $BC$  is to  $CF$  so is  $ABC$  to  $KGH$ . VI. 20, Cor. 2.

But as  $BC$  is to  $CF$  so is  $\square BE$  to  $\square EF$ , VI. 1.

and  $\therefore$  as  $ABC$  is to  $KGH$  so is  $\square BE$  to  $\square EF$ . V. 5.

Now  $ABC$  is equal to  $\square BE$ , Constr.

and  $\therefore KGH = \square EF$ . V. 14.

But  $\square EF$  = the figure  $D$ .

$\therefore KGH = D$ ; and  $KGH$  is similar to  $ABC$ .

Hence a figure  $KGH$  has been described as was required.

DEF. V. A straight line is said to be cut in extreme and mean ratio, when the whole is to the greater segment as the greater segment is to the less.

PROPOSITION XXX. PROBLEM. (Eucl. VI. 30.)

*To cut a straight line in extreme and mean ratio.*



Let  $AB$  be the given st. line.

*It is required to cut  $AB$  in extreme and mean ratio.*

Divide  $AB$  in the pt.  $C$ , so that rect.  $AB, BC = \text{sq. on } AC$ .  
II. 11.

Then  $\therefore$  rect.  $AB, BC = \text{sq. on } AC$ .

$\therefore AB$  is to  $AC$  as  $AC$  is to  $BC$ , VI. 17.

and  $\therefore AB$  is cut in extreme and mean ratio in  $C$ . Def. 5.

Q. E. F.

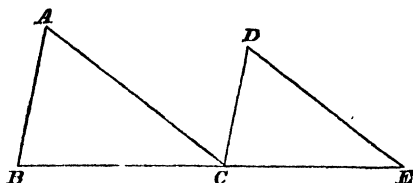
Ex. 1. If two diagonals of a regular pentagon be drawn to cut one another, they cut one another in extreme and mean ratio.

Ex. 2. If the radius of a circle be cut in extreme and mean ratio, the greater segment will be equal to the side of a regular decagon described in the circle.



## PROPOSITION XXXI. THEOREM. (Eucl. vi. 32.)

If two triangles, SIMILARLY SITUATED, which have two sides of the one proportional to two sides of the other, be joined at one angle, so as to have their homologous sides parallel, each to each, the remaining sides must be in a straight line.



Let the  $\Delta$ s  $ABC$ ,  $DCE$  be similarly situated, having the sides  $BA$ ,  $AC$  proportional to  $CD$ ,  $DE$ , and let  $BA$  be  $\parallel$  to  $CD$ , and  $AC \parallel$  to  $DE$ ;

*Then must  $BC$  and  $CE$  be in one st. line.*

For  $\because AC$  meets the  $\parallel$ s  $BA$ ,  $CD$ ,

$\therefore \angle BAC = \text{alternate } \angle ACD.$  I. 29.

And  $\because CD$  meets the  $\parallel$ s  $AC$ ,  $DE$ ,

$\therefore \angle ACD = \text{alternate } \angle CDE.$  I. 29.

Hence  $\angle BAC = \angle CDE.$  Ax. 1.

Then  $\because BA$  is to  $AC$  as  $CD$  is to  $DE$ , and  $\angle BAC = \angle CDE$ ,

$\therefore \Delta ABC$  is equiangular to  $\Delta DCE.$  VI. 6.

$\therefore \angle ACB = \angle DEC;$  VI. Def. 1.

and  $\therefore \angle$ s  $ACB$ ,  $ACE$  together =  $\angle$ s  $ACE$ ,  $DEC$  together,  
= two right angles. I. 29.

$\therefore BC$  and  $CE$  are in the same st. line. I. 14.

Q. E. D.

*Miscellaneous Exercises on Book VI.*

1. Two common tangents to two circles meet at  $A$ . If the diameter of the smaller circle, the distance between the centres, and the diameter of the larger circle, be in the ratio of 1, 2, 3, prove that the distance from  $A$  to the centre of each circle is equal to the diameter of that circle.

2. Straight lines are drawn through the angular points of a triangle, parallel to the opposite sides, and through the angular points of the triangle thus formed straight lines are drawn, parallel to its opposite sides, and so on; show that all these triangles are similar to the original triangle, and that any one of them has its sides bisected by the angular points of the preceding triangle.

3. If a point be taken within an equilateral triangle, the perpendiculars drawn from it to the three sides are together equal to the perpendicular drawn from one of the angles to the opposite side.

4. Upon  $AB$  as base two triangles  $ABC$ ,  $ABD$  are described, and a line cutting  $CA$  is drawn parallel to  $CD$ . From the points where this line meets  $AC$ ,  $AD$ , lines are drawn to meet  $CB$ ,  $DB$ , and parallel to the base. Shew that these lines are equal.

5. If  $O$  be the centre, and  $AB$  the diameter of a circle, and if on  $AO$  as a diameter a circle be described, then the circumference of this circle will bisect any chord, drawn through it from  $A$  to meet the exterior circle.

6. On a given base describe a triangle, having a given vertical angle, and one of its sides double of the other.

7. From a point  $E$  in the common base of two triangles  $ACB$ ,  $ADB$ , straight lines are drawn parallel to  $AC$ ,  $AD$ , meeting  $BC$ ,  $BD$  in  $F$  and  $G$ . Shew that the lines joining  $F$ ,  $G$  and  $C$ ,  $D$  will be parallel.

8. From the angular points, of a triangle  $ABC$ , straight lines  $AD$ ,  $BE$ ,  $CF$ , are drawn perpendicular to the opposite sides

and terminated by the circumscribing circle ; if  $L$  be the point of their intersection, shew that  $LD$ ,  $LE$ ,  $LF$  are bisected by the sides of the triangle.

9. If  $D$  and  $E$  be points in the sides of a triangle  $ABC$ , such that  $AD$  and  $AE$  are respectively the third parts of  $AB$  and  $AC$ , shew that  $BE$  and  $CD$  cut one another in a point of quadrisection.

10. In  $AB$ ,  $AC$ , two sides of a triangle, are taken points  $D$ ,  $E$  ;  $AB$ ,  $AC$  are produced to  $F$ ,  $G$ , such that  $BF=AD$ , and  $CG=AE$  : and  $BG$ ,  $CF$ ,  $FG$  are joined, the two former meeting in  $H$ . Show that the triangle  $FHG$  is equal to the triangles  $BHC$ ,  $ADE$  together.

11. If the angle, between the internal bisector of the angle of a triangle and the base, be equal to the angle between the external bisector and the greater side produced, a perpendicular on this side through the vertex will bisect the segment of the base between the internal and external bisectors.

12. Triangles on equal bases and between the same parallels will have equal areas cut off by a line parallel to their bases.

13. From  $A$ ,  $B$ , the extremities of the diameter of a circle, lines  $ACE$ ,  $BCD$ , are drawn through a point  $C$ , on the circumference, to points  $E$  and  $D$ , such that  $EB$  and  $DA$  touch the circle. Shew that  $ED$  meets the tangent at  $C$  in  $AB$  produced.

14. Draw a straight line cutting two concentric circles, so that the part of it which is intercepted by the circumference of the greater may be four times as great as the part intercepted by the circumference of the less.

15. Shew how to inscribe a rectangle  $DEFG$  in a triangle  $ABC$ , so that the angles  $D$ ,  $E$  may be in  $AB$ ,  $AC$  respectively, the side  $FG$  coincident with the base, and the area of the rectangle be equal to half that of the triangle.

16. If the bisectors of the opposite angles  $A$ ,  $C$ , of a quadrilateral figure  $ABCD$ , intersect on the diagonal  $BD$ , then will the bisectors of the angles  $B$ ,  $D$  meet on  $AC$ .

17. Two sides of a quadrilateral described about a circle are

parallel ; if the points of contact divide the other two sides proportionally, they are equally inclined to the first two.

18. If two triangles, on the same base, have their vertices joined by a straight line, which meets the base, or the base produced, shew that the parts of this line, between the vertices of the triangles and the base, are in the same ratio to each other as the areas of the triangles.

19. If perpendiculars be drawn from any point on the circumference of a circle to two tangents and the chord joining the points of contact, shew that the square on the perpendicular to the chord is equal to the rectangle contained by the other perpendiculars.

20. If the angles  $B, C$ , of the triangle  $ABC$ , be respectively equal to the angles  $D, E$ , of the triangle  $ADE$ , and the angles  $B, E$ , of the triangle  $ABE$ , to the angles  $D, C$ , of the triangle  $ADC$ , then these pairs of triangles shall be respectively equal to each other ; and if  $BE, CD$ , intersect in  $F$ , the triangles  $BFD, CFE$ , shall also be similar.

21. If, from the extremities of the diameter of a semicircle, perpendiculars be let fall on any line cutting the semicircle, the parts intercepted between those perpendiculars and the circumference are equal.

22. In a given circle place a chord, parallel to a given chord, and having a given ratio to it.

23.  $ABC$  is an equilateral triangle. Through  $C$  a line is drawn at right angles to  $AC$ , meeting  $AB$  produced in  $D$ , and a line through  $A$  parallel to  $BC$  in  $E$ . Through  $K$ , the middle point of  $AB$ , lines are drawn respectively parallel to  $AE, AC$ , and meeting  $DE$  in  $F$  and  $G$ . Prove that the sum of the squares on  $KG$  and  $FG$  is equal to three times the square on  $FE$ .

24. Find a point in the base of a right-angled triangle produced such that the line drawn from it to the angular point opposite to the base, shall be to the base produced as the perpendicular to the base itself.

25.  $AB$  is a given straight line, and  $D$  a given point in it; it is required to find a point  $P$ , in  $AB$  produced, such that  $AP$  is to  $PB$  as  $AD$  is to  $DB$ .

26. If two circles touch each other externally, and parallel diameters be drawn, the straight line, joining the extremities of those diameters, will pass through the point of contact.

27. If two circles touch each other, and also touch a straight line; the part of the line, between the points of contact, is a mean proportional between the diameters of the circles.

28. Two circles touch each other internally, the radius of one being treble that of the other. Shew that a point of trisection of any chord of the larger circle, drawn from the point of contact, is its intersection with the circumference of the smaller circle.

29. If  $ABC$  be a right-angled triangle, and  $D$  any point in its hypotenuse  $AB$ , determine by a geometrical construction the point  $P$ , to which  $AB$  must be produced, so that  $PA$  is to  $PB$  as  $AD$  is to  $DB$ .

30. If a line touching two circles cut another line joining their centres, the segments of the latter will be to each other as the diameters of the circles.

31. If through the vertex of an equilateral triangle a perpendicular be drawn to the side, meeting a perpendicular to the base, drawn from its extremity, the line, intercepted between the vertex and the latter perpendicular, is equal to the radius of the circumscribing circle.

32. If on the diagonals of a quadrilateral as bases, parallelograms be described, equal to the quadrilateral, find the ratio of their altitudes.

33. The opposite sides  $AB$ ,  $DC$  of a quadrilateral  $ABCD$ , which can be inscribed in a circle, meet, when produced, at  $E$ ;  $F$  is the point of intersection of the diagonals, and  $EF$  meets  $AD$  in  $G$ ; prove that the rectangle  $EA$ ,  $AB$  is to the rectangle  $ED$ ,  $DC$  as  $AG$  is to  $GD$ .

34. If from the extremities of the diameter of a circle tangents be drawn, any other tangent of the circle, terminated by them, is so divided at its point of contact, that the radius of the circle is a mean proportional between the segments of the tangent.

35. If the sides of a triangle, inscribed in the segment of a circle, be produced to meet lines drawn from the extremities of the base, forming with it angles equal to the angle in the segment, the rectangle contained by these lines will be equal to the square on the base.

36. Describe a parallelogram, which shall be of a given altitude, and equal and equiangular to a given parallelogram.

37. Two circles touch each other internally at the point  $A$ , and from two points in the line joining their centres perpendiculars are drawn, intersecting the outer circle in the points  $B, C$ , and the inner circle in the points  $D, E$ . Shew that  $AB$  is to  $AC$  as  $AD$  is to  $AE$ .

38. Given of any triangle the base, and the point, where the line, bisecting the exterior vertical angle, cuts the base produced, find the locus of the vertex of the triangle.

39. Draw a line from one of the angles at the base of a triangle, so that the part of it cut off by a line drawn from the vertex parallel to the base, may have a given ratio to the part cut off by the opposite side.

40. If  $AC$  be drawn from  $A$  to a point  $C$  in the base of the triangle  $ABD$ , so that  $ABD, ACD$  are similar triangles, shew that  $DA$  touches the circle described about  $ABC$ .

41. If the centres  $A, B$ , of two circles be joined, and  $P$  be the point in the line  $AB$ , from which equal tangents can be drawn to the circles; the tangents drawn from any point in a line, which passes through  $P$  at right angles to  $AB$  are all equal.

42. Construct a triangle, similar to a given triangle, and having its angular points upon three given straight lines, which meet in a point.

43. Let  $ABCD$  be any parallelogram,  $BD$  its diagonal. Then the perpendiculars, from  $A$  on  $BD$ , and from  $B$  and  $D$  upon  $AD$  and  $AB$ , shall all pass through a point.

44. If a quadrilateral be inscribed in a circle, its diagonals shall be to one another as the sums of the rectangles contained by the sides adjacent to their extremities.

45. A square is described on the base of an isosceles triangle, remote from the vertex. Prove that, if the vertex be joined to the corners of the square, the middle segment of the base will be to the outer one in twice the ratio of the perpendicular on the base to the base.

46. The base  $AB$  of an isosceles triangle  $ABC$  is produced both ways to  $D$  and  $E$ , so that the rectangle  $AD, BE$  is equal to the square on  $AC$ . Shew that the triangles  $DAC, EBC$ , are similar.

47. If each of the angles at the base of an isosceles triangle be double of the angle at the vertex, shew that either side is a mean proportional between the perimeter of the triangle, and the distance of the centre of the inscribed circle from either end of the base.

48.  $ABC$  is a triangle, and  $O$  is the centre of the circle inscribed in the triangle. Shew that  $AO$  passes through the centre of the circle described about the triangle  $BOC$ .

49. Draw a line parallel to one of the sides of a triangle, so that it may be a mean proportional between the segments into which it divides one of the other sides.

50. If an equilateral triangle be inscribed in a circle, and the adjacent arcs cut off by two of its sides be bisected, shew that the line joining the points of bisection will be trisected by the sides.

51.  $ABC$  is an equilateral triangle,  $BC$  is produced to  $D$ , and  $CD$  is made equal to  $BC$ :  $CE$  is drawn at right angles to  $DCB$ , and at  $A$  the angle  $CAE$  is made equal to the angle  $DCA$ ;  $DE, DA$  are drawn. Shew that the rectangle  $DA,$

$CE$  is equal to the rectangle  $DE$ ,  $AC$  together with the square on  $CB$ .

52. Two straight lines  $AB$ ,  $CD$ , intersect in  $E$ . If when  $AC$ ,  $BD$  are joined, the sides of the triangle  $ACE$ , taken in order, are proportional to those of the triangle  $DBE$ , taken in order, shew that  $A$ ,  $C$ ,  $B$ ,  $D$ , lie on the circumference of the same circle.

53. If any triangle be inscribed in a circle, and from the vertex a line be drawn parallel to a tangent at either extremity of the base, this line will be a fourth proportional to the base and two sides.

54. If a triangle be inscribed in a semicircle, and a perpendicular be drawn from any point in the diameter, meeting one side, the circumference, and the other side produced; the segments cut off will be in continued proportion.

55. If  $ABCD$  be any quadrilateral figure inscribed in a circle, and  $BK$ ,  $DL$  be perpendiculars on the diagonal  $AC$ , shew that  $BK$  is to  $DL$  as the rectangle  $AB$ ,  $BC$  is to the rectangle  $AD$ ,  $DC$ .

56. If a rectangular parallelogram be inscribed in a right-angled triangle, and they have the right-angle common, the rectangle, contained by the segments of the hypotenuse, is equal to the sum of the rectangles, contained by the segments of the sides about the right angle.

57. If from the vertex of an isosceles triangle a circle be described, with a radius less than one of the equal sides, but greater than the perpendicular from the vertex to the base, the parts of the base cut off by it will be equal.

58. Through a fixed point  $A$  on a circle, a chord  $AB$  is drawn, and produced to a point  $M$ , so that the rectangle contained by  $AB$  and  $AM$  is constant. Find the locus of  $M$ .

59. If two sides of a triangle be unequal, the sum of the greater side and the perpendicular upon it from the opposite angle is greater than the sum of the less side and the perpendicular upon it from the opposite angle.



60. From one angle of a triangle, perpendiculars are dropped on the external bisectors of the other two angles; prove that the distance between the feet of these perpendiculars is equal to half the sum of the sides of the triangle.

61.  $A, B, P, Q, R$ , are five points in the circumference of a circle;  $p, q, r$ , are the intersections of perpendiculars of the triangles  $ABP, ABQ, ABR$  respectively; prove that the triangles  $PQR, pqr$  are similar, equal, and similarly placed.

62.  $AD, BE, CF$  are perpendiculars from the angular points of a triangle on the opposite sides, intersecting in  $P$ . Prove that the rectangle  $AP, BC$  is equal to the sum of the rectangles  $PE, AC$  and  $PF, AB$ .

63.  $ABC$  is a triangle, and  $AD, AE$ , are drawn to points  $D, E$ , in the base, so as to make equal angles with  $AB, AC$ , respectively. Shew that the square on  $AB$  is to the square on  $AC$  as the rectangle  $BD, BE$  is to the rectangle  $CD, CE$ .

64. Find a straight line, such that the perpendiculars, let fall upon it from three given points, shall be in a given ratio to each other.

65. Find a fourth proportional to three given similar triangles.

66. If the sides of a triangle be bisected, and the points joined with the opposite angles, the joining lines shall divide each other proportionally, and the triangle, formed by the joining lines, and the remaining side, shall be equal to a third of the original triangle.

67. Find the locus of a point, such that the distance between the feet of the perpendiculars from it upon two straight lines, given in position, may be constant.

68.  $ABCD$  is a parallelogram,  $AC, BD$  diagonals. If parallel lines be drawn through  $A, C$ , and also through  $B, D$ , the diagonals of all parallelograms so formed will pass through the same point.

69.  $OPQ$  is any triangle.  $OR$  bisects  $PQ$  in  $R$ ;  $PST$  bisects  $OR$  in  $S$ , and cuts  $OQ$  in  $T$ . Shew that  $OQ = 3OT$ .

70. If the side  $BC$ , of a triangle  $ABC$ , be bisected by a line, which meets  $AD$  and  $AC$ , produced if necessary, in  $D$  and  $E$  respectively, shew that  $AE$  is to  $EC$  as  $AD$  is to  $DB$ .

71. Two circles are drawn in the same plane, having a common centre  $C$ . If the tangent, at any point  $P$  of the inner circle, meet the outer in  $Q$ , and be produced both ways to points  $A, B$ , such that  $QA, QB$ , are each of them equal to  $QC$ , the area of the triangle  $CAB$  will be constant.

72. From  $P$ , a point without a circle, whose centre is  $C$ , two tangents  $PA, PB$ , are drawn, and also a line, meeting the circle in  $D$ , and  $AB$  in  $E$ . If  $CF$  be perpendicular to  $PD$ , then  $FD$  is a mean proportional between  $FP$  and  $FE$ .

73. Three circles touch the sides of a triangle  $ABC$  in the points where the inscribed circle touches them, and touch each other, in the points  $G, H, K$ . Prove that  $AG, BH$  and  $CK$  meet in a point.

74. If  $ABC$  be a right-angled triangle, and  $EF$ , parallel to  $BC$ , the hypotenuse, meet  $AB, AC$  in  $E, F$ , then  $EH, FL, AK$  being drawn perpendicular to  $BC$ , shew that the difference of the rectangles  $CK, CH$  and  $BL, BK$  is equal to the difference of the squares on  $AB, AC$ .

75. From a point  $A$  in the circumference of a circle two chords  $AB, AC$  are drawn, cutting off arcs greater than a quadrant and less than a semicircle; and from the extremity  $B$  of the greater chord, a line  $BD$  is drawn in a direction perpendicular to that of the diameter through  $A$ , and meets  $AC$  produced in  $D$ . Shew that  $AD$  is to  $AB$  as  $AB$  is to  $AC$ .

76. Two circles intersect, and through a point of intersection two lines are drawn, terminated by the circumferences of both circles; one of these lines remains fixed, while the other may have any position. Shew that the locus of the intersection of the lines joining their extremities is a circle.

77. If the side  $BC$  of an equilateral triangle  $ABC$  be produced to any point  $D$ , and  $AD$  be joined, and if a straight line  $CE$  be drawn parallel to  $AB$ , cutting  $AD$  in  $E$ , prove that the square on  $AE$  is to the rect.  $DA, DE$  as the rect.  $CE, CB$  is to the square on  $DC$ .

78. In a triangle, right-angled at  $A$ , if the side  $AC$  be double of  $AB$ , the angle  $B$  is more than double the angle  $C$ .

79. From the obtuse angle of a triangle draw a line to the base, which shall be a mean proportional between the segments, into which it divides the base.

80.  $AB$ ,  $AC$  are two straight lines,  $B$  and  $C$  given points in the same;  $BD$  is drawn perpendicular to  $AC$ , and  $DE$  perpendicular to  $AB$ ; in like manner  $CF$  is drawn perpendicular to  $AB$ , and  $FG$  to  $AC$ . Shew that  $EG$  is parallel to  $BC$ .

81.  $AB$  is the diameter of a circle, and  $CD$  a chord at right angles to it,  $E$  any point in  $CD$ . If  $AE$  and  $BE$  be drawn and produced to cut the circle in  $F$  and  $G$ , the quadrilateral  $FCGD$  has any two of its adjacent sides in the same ratio as the remaining two.

82.  $ADEB$  is a semicircle;  $AB$  the diameter;  $DF$ ,  $EG$  perpendiculars on the diameter;  $C$  the centre of a circle, which touches the semicircle and these perpendiculars; and  $CH$  is drawn perpendicular to the diameter. Shew that  $CH$  is a mean proportional between  $AF$  and  $BG$ .

83. Divide a straight line in a given ratio, and produce it so that the whole line thus produced shall be to the part produced in the same ratio; shew that the circle described on the line between the two points of section, as diameter, is such, that if any point of its circumference be joined with the extremities of the given line, the straight lines so drawn shall also be in the given ratio.

84. If any secant be drawn through the intersection of two tangents to a circle, and if the points of intersection be joined to the points of contact of the tangents, shew that the rectangles under the pairs of opposite sides of the quadrilateral formed by the joining lines are equal.

85. Triangles on the same base, and with equal vertical angles, are to one another as the products of their sides.

86. A line  $ACBD$  is divided, so that  $AC$  is to  $CB$  as  $AD$  is to  $DB$ . Shew that a semicircle, described on  $CD$ , is the locus of  $P$ , such that  $AP$  is to  $PB$  as  $AC$  is to  $CB$ .

87. If the two diagonals of a quadrilateral, inscribed in a circle, be given, shew that the quadrilateral is greatest, when they are at right angles.

88.  $ABC$  is a triangle,  $D, E$ , the middle points of  $AB, AC$ , and  $BE, CD$ , meet in  $F$ : a triangle is drawn, having its sides parallel to  $AF, BF, CF$ . Shew that the lines, joining its angular points to the middle points of its opposite sides, will be parallel to the sides of the triangle  $ABC$ .

89. A circle rolls within another, of twice its radius: if  $P$  be the point of contact, and  $A$  a given point of the rolling circle,  $PA$  will be constant in direction.

90. Two circles intersect; the line  $AHKB$  joining their centres  $A, B$ , meets them in  $H, K$ . On  $AB$  is described an equilateral triangle  $ABC$ , whose sides  $BC, AC$  intersect the circles in  $F, E$ .  $FE$  produced meets  $BA$  produced in  $G$ . Shew that as  $GA$  is to  $GK$ , so is  $CF$  to  $CE$ , and so also is  $GH$  to  $GB$ .

91.  $ABC$  is a triangle inscribed in a circle, and perpendiculars are drawn from any point in the circumference to the sides of the triangle. Prove that the points in which they meet the sides are in one straight line.

92. An isosceles triangle has one of its equal sides a mean proportional between two sides of another triangle. If these two sides include the same angle as the vertical angle of the isosceles triangle, shew that the triangles are equal.

93. Two triangles  $ABC, BCD$ , have the side  $BC$  common, the angles at  $B$  equal, and the angles  $ACB, BDC$  right angles. Shew that the triangle  $ABC$  is to the triangle  $BCD$  as  $AB$  is to  $BD$ .

94. Given the straight line which is drawn from the vertex of an equilateral triangle to a point of trisection of the base, find the side of the triangle.

95. Straight lines being drawn from the angular points  $A, B, C$ , of a triangle through any the same point, so as to cut the opposite sides respectively in  $a, b, c$ , shew that the rectangle  $Ab, Bc$  is to the rectangle  $Ac, Ba$  as  $Cb$  is to  $Ca$ .

96.  $ABCD$  is a quadrilateral inscribed in a circle, and its diagonals intersect in  $F$ . Shew that the rectangle  $AF, FD$  is to the rectangle  $BF, FC$  as the square on  $AD$  is to the square on  $BC$ .

97.  $ABCD$  is a quadrilateral figure whose opposite angles are not supplemental; the circle described about  $ABD$  cuts  $DC$  in  $E$ , and the circle described about  $BCE$  cuts  $AE$  in  $F$ . Shew that the triangle  $ABF$  is equiangular to the triangle  $BCD$ , and the triangle  $BCF$  to the triangle  $ABD$ .

98.  $ACB$  is a triangle whereof the side  $AC$  is produced to  $D$  until  $CD$  is equal to  $AC$ ; and  $BD$  is joined: shew that if any line drawn parallel to  $AB$  cuts the sides  $AC$  and  $CB$ , and from the points of section lines be drawn parallel to  $DB$ , these will meet  $AB$  in points equidistant from its extremities.

99.  $A$  and  $B$  are fixed points, and  $AC, BD$  are perpendiculars on  $CD$ , a given straight line: the straight lines  $AD, BC$ , intersect in  $E$ , and  $EF$  is drawn perpendicular to  $CD$ . Show that  $EF$  bisects the angle  $AFB$ .

100. If  $O$  be the centre of a circle circumscribed about the triangle  $ABC$ , obtuse-angled at  $C$ , and if on  $OC$  as diameter a circle be described meeting  $AB$  in  $D$  and  $E$ , then either  $CD$  or  $CE$  shall be a mean proportional between the segments into which they respectively divide  $AB$ .

101. The exterior angle  $CBD$  of the triangle  $ABC$  is bisected by the line  $BE$ , which cuts the base produced in  $E$ . Shew that the square on  $BE$ , together with the rectangle  $AB, BC$ , is equal to the rectangle  $AE, EC$ .

102.  $ABCD$  is a quadrilateral figure inscribed in a circle;  $BA, CD$ , are produced to meet in  $P$ , and  $AD, BC$ , are produced to meet in  $Q$ . Prove that  $PC$  is to  $PB$  as  $QA$  is to  $QB$ .

Also, shew that half the sum of the angles at  $P$  and  $Q$  is equal to the complement of the opposite angle  $ABC$  of the quadrilateral figure.

103. Having given the vertical angle, and the ratio of the sides containing it, and also the diameter of the circumscribing circle, construct the triangle.

104. From the centre of a given circle draw a straight line to meet a given tangent to the circle, so that the segment of the line between the circle and the tangent shall be any required part of the tangent.

105. Find a point the distances of which from three given points not in the same straight line are proportional to  $p$ ,  $q$ ,  $r$  respectively, the four points being in the same plane.

106.  $AB$  is the diameter of a circle,  $D$  any point in the circumference, and  $C$  the middle point of the arc  $AD$ . If  $AC$ ,  $AD$ ,  $BC$ , be joined, and  $AD$  cut  $BC$  in  $E$ , the circle described about the triangle  $AEB$  will touch  $AC$ , and its diameter will be a third proportional to  $BC$  and  $AB$ .

107. From a given point  $A$  a variable straight line is drawn, meeting a fixed straight line in  $P$ , and a point  $Q$  is taken on it so that the rectangle  $AP$ ,  $AQ$  is constant. Find the locus of  $Q$ .

\*108. On a given base describe a rectangle, which shall be equal to the difference of the squares on two given straight lines, any two of the three given lines being together greater than the third.

109. If the exterior angles of a triangle be bisected by straight lines, forming another triangle, shew that the two triangles cannot be similar, unless they be each equilateral.

110. If  $ABC$ ,  $A'B'C'$  be similar triangles, and  $AB = A'C'$ , shew the areas of the triangles are as  $AC$  to  $A'B'$ .

111. The alternate angles of a regular hexagon are joined: shew that the area of the hexagon formed by the intersections of the joining lines is one-third of the original hexagon.

112. A triangle is divided by a straight line parallel to the base into two parts, the areas of which are as 1 to 8: how does the straight line divide the sides?

113. The line  $AD$  is divided into three equal parts in the points  $B$  and  $C$ ; a circle is described with  $B$  as centre and  $BA$  as radius, and any circle cutting this is described with  $D$  as centre. Shew that if a chord to both the circles be drawn

from  $A$ , through one of the points of intersection, it will be bisected by this point.

114.  $ABC$  is an acute-angled triangle,  $E$  and  $F$  are the middle points of the sides  $AB$  and  $AC$ . Shew that a line drawn from  $E$ , equal to  $EA$ , to meet the base, and another from  $F$ , equal to  $FA$ , also to meet it, will intersect the base at the same point.

Hence explain how, by folding a piece of paper such as the triangle  $ABC$ , it may be shewn that the three angles of a triangle are equal to two right angles.

115. If  $ABC$ ,  $ADE$  be two equal triangles having the angles  $BAC$ ,  $DAE$  equal, and if they be placed so that  $BA$ ,  $AE$  are in a straight line, as also  $CA$  and  $AD$ ; and if  $BC$ ,  $DE$  be produced to meet in  $F$ , prove that  $FA$  will bisect  $CE$  and also  $BD$ .

116. Within a circle, whose diameter is  $AB$ , another circle is inscribed, touching the outer circle in  $A$ , and passing through its centre  $O$ . From a point  $N$ , in  $AB$ , a line  $NQP$  is drawn perpendicular to  $AB$ , meeting the inner circle in  $Q$ , and the outer circle in  $P$ ,  $AN$  being equal to one-sixth of  $AB$ . Prove that the duplicate ratio of  $NQ$  to  $NP$  is equal to the ratio of 2 to 5.

117. Describe a square, which shall be equal to the sum of a given square and a given rectangle, a side of the given square being greater than half the difference of the two sides containing the rectangle.

# BOOK XI.

## INTRODUCTORY REMARKS.

IN Book I. Def. 7., it is laid down that a Plane Surface is one in which, if any two points be taken, the straight line between them lies wholly in that surface.

This definition should be extended by the addition of the following words, *and if the straight line be produced, every point in the part produced will lie in the plane.*

Euclid professes to prove this in the first Proposition of Book XI., which is thus enunciated : "one part of a straight line cannot be in a plane, and another part out of the plane."

But this has been assumed again and again in the proofs of earlier propositions ; thus, for example, we have called a circle a *plane figure*, and having drawn any radius to a circle we have assumed that the radius, produced within the circumference, will meet the circumference.

From the extended definition of a Plane Surface it follows that a straight line, which meets a plane, must either lie entirely in that plane, or meet it in *one* point only ; for if it met the plane in *two* points, it would lie entirely in the plane.

The Definitions given at the commencement of Book XI. relate partly to Plane Surfaces and partly to Solid Figures. By a slight change in the order in which they stand in the Greek text, we obtain the advantage of arranging them in accordance with this twofold division.

### DEFINITIONS.

#### *Relating to Plane Surfaces.*

I. A Plane Surface is one in which, if any two points be taken, the straight line between them lies wholly in that surface ; and if the straight line be produced, every point in the part produced will lie in the plane.



II. When a straight line is at right angles to *every* straight line in a plane which meets it, it is said to be perpendicular to the plane.

*Note.*— It will be shown in Prop. iv. that when a straight line is at right angles to each of two other straight lines in a plane, which meet it, it is at right angles to every other straight line in the plane which meets it.

III. A plane is perpendicular to a plane, when the straight lines, drawn in one of the planes perpendicular to the common section of the two planes, are perpendicular to the other plane.

IV. The inclination of a straight line to a plane is the acute angle, contained by that straight line and another, drawn from the point at which the first line meets the plane, to the point at which a perpendicular to the plane, drawn from any point of the first line above the plane, meets the same plane.

V. The inclination of a plane to a plane is the acute angle, contained by two straight lines, drawn from any the same point of their common section, at right angles to it, one in one plane, and the other in the other plane.

VI. Two planes are said to have the same inclination to one another, which two other planes have, when the said angles of inclination are equal to one another.

VII. Parallel planes are such as do not meet one another though produced.

*Relating to Solid Figures.*

VIII. A Solid is that which has length, breadth, and thickness.

IX. That which bounds a solid is a superficies.

X. A Solid Angle is that, which is made by the meeting of more than two plane angles, which are not in the same plane, at one point.

Definitions I. to X. are all that are required in the part of Book XI. included in this work. Those which follow are necessary to the explanation of some of the terms, which will be found in the Exercises and Examination Papers.

**XI.** Similar solid figures are such, as have all their solid angles equal, each to each, and are contained by the same number of similar planes.

**XII.** A Pyramid is a solid figure, contained by planes, which are constructed between one plane and one point above it, at which they meet.

**XIII.** A Prism is a solid figure, contained by plane figures, of which two that are opposite are equal, similar, and parallel to one another ; and the others are parallelograms.

• **XIV.** A Sphere is a solid figure, described by the revolution of a semicircle about its diameter, which remains fixed.

**XV.** The Axis of a Sphere is the fixed straight line, about which the semicircle revolves.

**XVI.** The Centre of a Sphere is the same with that of the semicircle.

**XVII.** The Diameter of a Sphere is any straight line, which passes through the centre, and is terminated both ways by the superficies of the sphere.

**XVIII.** A Cone is a solid figure, described by the revolution of a right-angled triangle about one of the sides containing the right angle, which side remains fixed. If the fixed side be equal to the other side containing the right angle, the cone is called a right-angled cone ; if it be less than the other side, an obtuse-angled cone ; and if greater, an acute-angled cone.

**XIX.** The Axis of a Cone is the fixed straight line, about which the triangle revolves.

**XX.** The Base of a Cone is the circle, described by that side, containing the right angle, which revolves.

**XXI.** A Cylinder is a solid figure, described by the revolution of a rectangle about one of its sides, which remains fixed.

**XXII.** The Axis of a Cylinder is the fixed straight line about which the rectangle revolves.

**XXIII.** The Bases of a Cylinder are the circles, described by the two revolving opposite sides of the rectangle.

**XXIV.** Similar cones and cylinders are those which have their axes and the diameters of their bases proportionals.

**XXV.** A Cube is a solid figure, contained by six equal squares.

**XXVI.** A Tetrahedron is a solid figure, contained by four equal and equilateral triangles.

**XXVII.** An Octahedron is a solid figure, contained by eight equal and equilateral triangles.

**XXVIII.** A Dodecahedron is a solid figure, contained by twelve equal pentagons, which are equilateral and equiangular.

**XXIX.** An Icosahedron is a solid figure, contained by twenty equal and equilateral triangles.

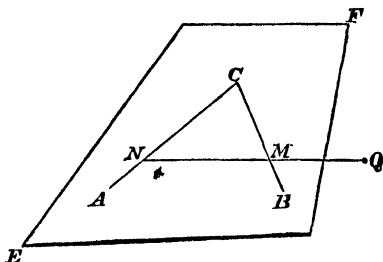
**XXX.** A Parallelepiped is a solid figure, contained by six quadrilateral figures, of which every opposite two are parallel.

#### POSTULATE.

Let it be granted that a plane may be made to pass through any given straight line.

## PROPOSITION I. THEOREM. (Eucl. XI. 2.)

*If two straight lines meet one another, a plane can be drawn to contain both; and every plane containing both must coincide with the aforesaid plane.*



Let the two st. lines  $AC$ ,  $BC$  meet in  $C$ .

*Then a plane can be drawn to contain  $AC$  and  $BC$ .*

Let any plane  $EF$  be drawn to contain  $AC$ , Post.

and let  $EF$  be turned about  $AC$  till it pass through  $B$ .

Then  $\therefore B$  and  $C$  are points in the plane  $EF$ ,

$\therefore BC$  lies in the plane  $EF$ . XI. Def. 1.

*Also, any plane containing  $AC$  and  $BC$  must coincide with  $EF$ .*

For let  $Q$  be any point in a plane containing  $AC$  and  $BC$ .

Draw  $QMN$  in this plane to cut  $BC$ ,  $AC$  in  $M$  and  $N$ .

Then  $\therefore M$  and  $N$  are points in the plane  $EF$ ,

$\therefore Q$  is a point in the plane  $EF$ . XI. Def. 1.

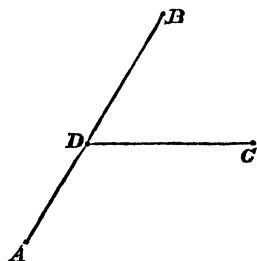
Similarly, any point in a plane containing  $AC$ ,  $BC$  must lie in  $EF$ ;

and  $\therefore$  any plane containing  $AC$ ,  $BC$  must coincide with  $EF$ .

Q. E. D.

**COR. I.** *Hence it follows that a plane is completely determined by the condition that it passes through two intersecting straight lines.*

**COR. II.** *A straight line and a point without the line determine a plane.*



Let  $AB$  be a straight line, and  $C$  a point without  $AB$ .

Draw the st. line  $CD$  to any point  $D$  in  $AB$ .

Then one plane can be drawn to contain  $AB$  and  $CD$ . XI. 1.

$\therefore$  one..... $AB$  and  $C$ .

Again, any plane containing  $AB$  must contain  $D$ ,

$\therefore$  any plane containing  $AB$  and  $C$  must contain  $CD$  also.\*

But there is only one plane that can contain  $AB$  and  $CD$ ,

$\therefore$  there is only one plane ..... $AB$  and  $C$ .

Hence the plane is completely determined.

**COR. III.** *Three points, not in the same straight line, determine a plane.*

For let  $A, B, C$  be three such points (fig. Cor. 2).

Draw the straight line  $AB$ .

Then a plane, which contains  $A, B$  and  $C$ , must contain  $AB$  and  $C$ ,

and a plane, which contains  $AB$  and  $C$ , must contain  $A, B, C$ .

Now  $AB$  and  $C$  are contained by one plane, and one only,

Cor. 2.

$\therefore A, B, C$  are contained by one plane, and one only.

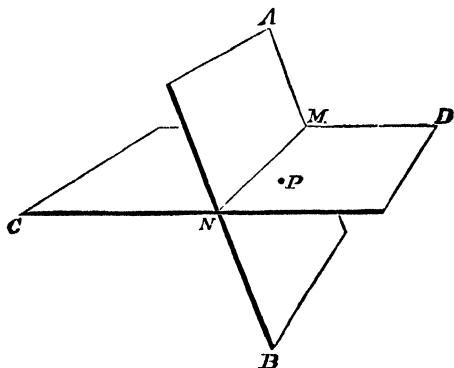
Hence the plane is completely determined.

**COR. IV.** *Two parallel lines determine a plane.*

For, by the definition of parallel lines, the two lines are in the same plane, and as only one plane can be drawn to contain one of the lines and any point in the other line, it follows that only one plane can be drawn to contain both lines.

## PROPOSITION II. THEOREM. (Eucl. xi. 3.)

*If two planes cut one another, their common section must be a straight line.*



Let  $AB$  and  $CD$  be two planes that cut one another.

*Then must their common section be a straight line.*

Let  $M$  and  $N$  be two points common to both planes.

Draw the straight line  $MN$ .

Then  $\because M$  and  $N$  are common to both planes,

$\therefore$  the st. line  $MN$  lies in both planes. XI. Def. 1.

And no point, out of this line, can be common to both planes.

For, if it be possible, let  $P$  be such a point.

But there can be but *one* plane common to the point  $P$  and the st. line  $MN$ . XI. 1, Cor. 2.

$\therefore P$  is not common to *both* planes.

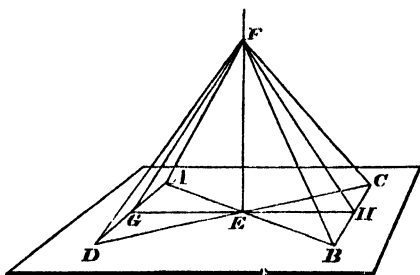
Hence every point in the common section of the planes lies in the straight line  $MN$ .

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*Note.*—The Propositions which follow are numbered as in Euclid.

## PROPOSITION IV. THEOREM.

*If a straight line stand at right angles to each of two straight lines, at the point of their intersection, it must also be at right angles to the plane that passes through them.*



Let the st. line  $EF$  be  $\perp$  to each of the st. lines  $AB$ ,  $CD$ , at  $E$ , the pt. of their intersection.

*Then must  $EF$  be  $\perp$  to the plane passing through  $AB$ ,  $CD$ .*

Make  $AE$ ,  $EB$ ,  $CE$ ,  $ED$ , all equal to one another, and through  $E$ , draw, in the plane in which  $AB$ ,  $CD$  are, any st. line  $GEH$ , and join  $AD$ ,  $CB$ .

Take any pt.  $F$ , in  $EF$ , and join  $FA$ ,  $FG$ ,  $FD$ ,  $FC$ ,  $FH$ ,  $FB$ .

Then in  $\triangle s$   $AED$ ,  $BEC$ ,

$$\therefore AE = BE, \text{ and } DE = CE, \text{ and } \angle AED = \angle BEC, \text{ I. 15.}$$

$$\therefore AD = BC, \text{ and } \angle DAE = \angle CBE, \quad \text{I. 4.}$$

Then in  $\triangle s$   $AEG$ ,  $BEH$ ,

$$\therefore \angle AEG = \angle BEH, \text{ and } \angle GAE = \angle HBE, \text{ and } AE = BE,$$

$$\therefore GE = HE, \text{ and } AG = BH. \quad \text{I. B. p. 17}$$

Then in  $\triangle s$   $AEF$ ,  $BEF$ ,

$$\therefore AE = BE, \text{ and } EF \text{ is common, and rt. } \angle AEF = \text{rt. } \angle BEF,$$

$$\therefore AF = BF. \quad \text{I. 4.}$$

So also,  $CF = DF$

Then in  $\triangle s ADF, BCF$ ,

$\therefore AD = BC$ , and  $AF = BF$ , and  $DF = CF$

$\therefore \angle DAF = \angle CBF$ .

I. c. p. 18.

Again, in  $\triangle s AFG, BFH$ ,

$\therefore AF = BF$ , and  $AG = BH$ , and  $\angle FAG = \angle FBH$ ,

$\therefore FG = FH$ .

I. 4.

Then in  $\triangle s FEG, FEH$ ,

$\therefore GE = HE$ , and  $EF$  is common, and  $FG = FH$ ,

$\therefore \angle FEG = \angle FEH$ .

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$\therefore EF$  is  $\perp$  to  $GH$ .

In like manner it may be shown that  $EF$  is  $\perp$  to every st line which meets it in the plane passing through  $AB, CD$ .

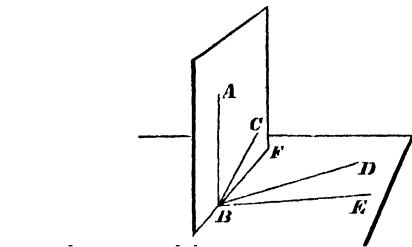
$\therefore EF$  is  $\perp$  to the plane, in which  $AB, CD$  are. XI. Def. 2

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## PROPOSITION V. THEOREM.

*If three straight lines meet all at one point, and a straight line stand at right angles to each of them at that point, the three straight lines must be in one and the same plane.*



Let the st. line  $AB$  be  $\perp$  to each of the st. lines  $BC$ ,  $BD$ ,  $BE$ , at  $B$ , the pt. where they meet.

*Then must  $BC$ ,  $BD$ ,  $BE$  be in one and the same plane.*

If not, let  $BD$ ,  $BE$  be in one plane, and  $BC$  without it, and let a plane, passing through  $AB$ ,  $BC$ , cut the plane, in which  $BD$  and  $BE$  are, in the st. line  $BF$ . XI. 2.

Then  $AB$ ,  $BC$ ,  $BF$  are all in one plane.

And  $\therefore AB$  is  $\perp$  to  $BD$  and  $BE$ ,

$\therefore AB$  is  $\perp$  to the plane in which  $BD$  and  $BE$  are, XI. 4.

and  $\therefore AB$  is  $\perp$  to  $BF$ , a st. line in that plane. XI. Def. 2.

Thus  $\angle ABF$  is a rt.  $\angle$ ,

and  $\angle ABC$  is a rt.  $\angle$ ;

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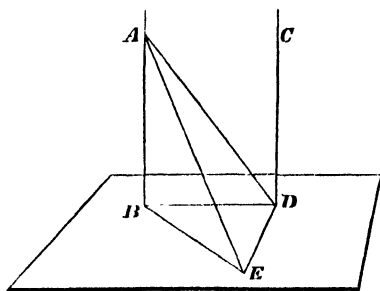
$$\therefore \angle ABC = \angle ABF,$$

the less = the greater, which is impossible.

$\therefore BC$  is not without the plane, in which  $BD$ ,  $BE$  are,  
and  $\therefore BC$ ,  $BD$ ,  $BE$  are in one and the same plane.

## PROPOSITION VI. THEOREM.

*If two straight lines be at right angles to the same plane, they must be parallel to one another.*



Let the st. lines  $AB$ ,  $CD$  be  $\perp$  to the same plane.

*Then must  $AB$  be  $\parallel$  to  $CD$ .*

Let  $AB$ ,  $CD$  meet the plane in the pts.  $B$ ,  $D$ .

Join  $BD$ , and draw  $DE \perp$  to  $BD$ , in the same plane. I. 11

Make  $DE = AB$ , and join  $BE$ ,  $AE$ ,  $AD$ .

Then  $\therefore AB$  is  $\perp$  to the plane,

$\therefore AB$  is  $\perp$  to  $BD$  and  $BE$ ,

XI. Def. 2.

and  $\therefore$  each of the  $\angle$ s  $ABD$ ,  $ABE$  is a rt.  $\angle$ .

So also, each of the  $\angle$ s  $CDB$ ,  $CDE$  is a rt.  $\angle$ .

Then, in  $\triangle$ s  $ABD$ ,  $EDB$ ,

$\therefore AB = ED$ , and  $BD$  is common, and rt.  $\angle ABD =$  rt.  $\angle EDB$ .

$\therefore DA = BE$ .

I. 4.

Again, in  $\triangle$ s  $ABE$ ,  $EDA$ ,

$\therefore AB = ED$ , and  $BE = DA$ , and  $AE$  is common,

$\therefore \angle ABE = \angle EDA$ .

I. c.

But  $\angle ABE$  is a rt.  $\angle$ ;

$\therefore \angle EDA$  is a rt.  $\angle$ ,

and  $\therefore ED$  is  $\perp$  to  $AD$ .

Thus  $ED$  is  $\perp$  to  $BD$ ,  $AD$ ,  $CD$ , at the pt. where they meet,

and  $\therefore BD$ ,  $AD$ ,  $CD$  are all in one plane. XI. 5.

But  $AB$  is in the plane, in which  $BD$  and  $AD$  are; XI. 1.

and  $\therefore AB$ ,  $BD$ ,  $CD$  are all in one plane.

Then  $\therefore$  each of the  $\angle$ s  $ABD$ ,  $CDB$  is a rt.  $\angle$ ,

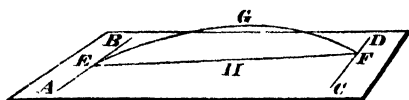
$\therefore AB$  is  $\parallel$  to  $CD$ .

I. 28.

Q. E. D.

## PROPOSITION VII. THEOREM.

*If two straight lines be parallel, the straight line drawn from any point in the one to any point in the other, is in the same plane with the parallels.*



Let  $AB$  and  $CD$  be parallel straight lines.

Take any pts.  $E$ ,  $F$  in  $AB$  and  $CD$ .

*Then must the st. line joining  $E$  and  $F$  be in the same plane as  $AB$ ,  $CD$ .*

If not, let it be without the plane, as  $EGF$ .

In the plane  $ABCD$ , in which the parallels are,  
draw the st. line  $EHF$  from  $E$  to  $F$ .

Then the two st. lines  $EGF$ ,  $EHF$  enclose a space,  
which is impossible. I. Post. 5.

$\therefore$  the st. line joining  $E$  and  $F$  cannot be out of the plane,  
in which the parallels  $AB$ ,  $CD$  are.

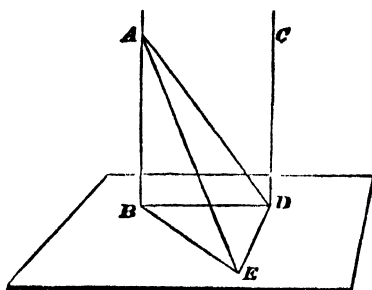
$\therefore$  it is in that plane.

Q. E. D.

*Note.*—We have proved this Proposition as Cor. iv. to Prop. i.

## PROPOSITION VIII. THEOREM.

If two straight lines be parallel, and one of them be at right angles to a plane, the other must be at right angles to the same plane.



Let  $AB, CD$  be two  $\parallel$  st. lines,  
and let one of them,  $AB$ , be  $\perp$  to a plane.

Then must  $CD$  be  $\perp$  to the same plane.

Let  $AB, CD$  meet the plane in the pts.  $B, D$ ; and join  $BD$ ;  
then  $AB, BD, CD$  are all in one plane. XI. 7.

In the plane, to which  $AB$  is  $\perp$ , draw  $DE \perp$  to  $BD$ ,  
make  $DE = AB$ , and join  $BE, AE, AD$ .

Then  $\because AB$  is  $\perp$  to the plane,

$\therefore$  each of the  $\angle$ s  $ABD, ABE$  is a rt.  $\angle$ ; XI. Def. 2.

and  $\because BD$  meets the  $\parallel$  st. lines  $AB, CD$ ,

$\therefore \angle$ s  $ABD, CDB$  together = two rt.  $\angle$ s, I. 29.

and  $\therefore \angle CDB$  is a rt.  $\angle$ , and  $CD$  is  $\perp$  to  $BD$ .

Then in the  $\Delta$ s  $ABD, EDB$ ,

$\therefore AB = ED$ , and  $BD$  is common, and rt.  $\angle ABD =$  rt.  $\angle EDB$ .

$\therefore AD = EB$ . I. 4.

Then in  $\Delta$ s  $ABE, EDA$ ,

$\because AB = ED$ , and  $AE$  is common, and  $EB = AD$ .

$\therefore \angle ABE = \angle EDA$ ; I. c.

and  $\therefore \angle EDA$  is a rt.  $\angle$ .

Hence  $ED$  is  $\perp$  to  $DA$ , and it is also  $\perp$  to  $BD$ , by constr.,

$\therefore ED$  is  $\perp$  to the plane in which  $DA, BD$  are, XI. 4.

and  $\therefore ED$  is  $\perp$  to  $DC$ , which is in that plane. XI. Def. 2

Hence  $CD$  is  $\perp$  to  $DE$ .

Now  $CD$  is  $\perp$  to  $DB$ .

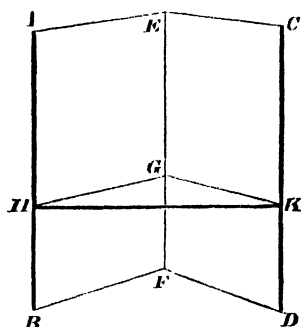
$\therefore CD$  is  $\perp$  to the plane passing through  $DE, DB$ . XI. 4.

$\therefore CD$  is  $\perp$  to the plane to which  $AB$  is  $\perp$ .

Q. E. D.

# PROPOSITION IX. THEOREM.

*Two straight lines, which are each of them parallel to the same straight line, and not in the same plane with it, are parallel to one another.*



Let  $AB, CD$  be each of them  $\parallel$  to  $EF$ ,

and not in the same plane with it.

*Then must  $AB$  be  $\parallel$  to  $CD$ .*

In  $EF$  take any pt.  $G$ .

From  $G$  draw, in the plane  $ABEF$ ,  $GH \perp$  to  $EF$ ,

and, in the plane  $CDEF$ ,  $GK \perp$  to  $EF$ . I. 11.

Then  $\therefore EF$  is  $\perp$  to  $GH$  and  $GK$ ,

$\therefore EF$  is  $\perp$  to the plane  $HGK$ ; XI. 4.

and  $\therefore EF$  is  $\parallel$  to  $AB$ ,

$\therefore AB$  is  $\perp$  to the plane  $HGK$ . XI. 8.

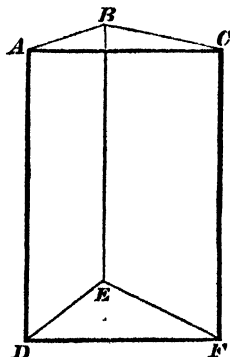
So also  $CD$  is  $\perp$  to the plane  $HGK$ . XI. 8.

$\therefore AB$  is  $\parallel$  to  $CD$ . XI. 6.

Q. E. D.

## PROPOSITION X. THEOREM.

If two straight lines meeting one another be parallel to two others, that meet one another, and are not in the same plane with the first two, the first two and the other two must contain equal angles.



Let the two st. lines  $AB, BC$ , meeting at  $B$  in the plane  $ABC$ , be  $\parallel$  to the st. lines  $DE, EF$ , meeting at  $E$  in the plane  $DEF$ .

Then must  $\angle ABC = \angle DEF$ .

Make  $BA = ED$ , and  $BC = EF$ , I. 3.

and join  $AD, BE, CF, AC, DF$ .

Then  $\because AB$  is  $=$  and  $\parallel$  to  $DE$ ,

$\therefore AD$  is  $=$  and  $\parallel$  to  $BE$ . I. 33.

So also,  $CF$  is  $=$  and  $\parallel$  to  $BE$ .

$\therefore AD$  is  $=$  and  $\parallel$  to  $CF$ , Ax. 1 and XI. 9.

and  $\therefore AC$  is  $=$  and  $\parallel$  to  $DF$ . I. 33.

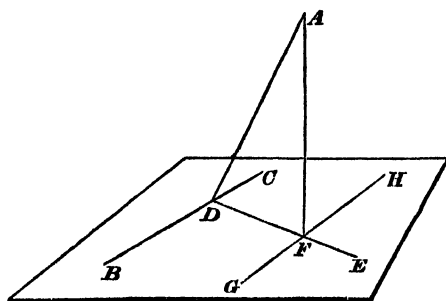
Then in  $\triangle s\ ABC, DEF$

$\because AB = DE$ , and  $BC = EF$ , and  $AC = DF$ ,

$\therefore \angle ABC = \angle DEF$ . I. c.

## PROPOSITION XI. PROBLEM.

*To draw a straight line perpendicular to a given plane, from a given point without it.*



Let  $A$  be the given pt. without the plane  $BH$ .

*It is required to draw from  $A$  a st. line  $\perp$  to the plane  $BH$ .*

In the plane, draw any st. line  $BC$ ,

and from  $A$  draw  $AD \perp$  to  $BC$ .

I. 12.

Then if  $AD$  be  $\perp$  to the plane, what was required is done.

If not, from  $D$  draw, in the plane  $BH$ ,  $DF \perp$  to  $BC$ .

I. 11.

and from  $A$  draw  $AF \perp$  to  $DE$ :

I. 12.

$AF$  will be  $\perp$  to the plane  $BH$ .

Through  $F$ , draw  $GH \parallel$  to  $BC$ .

I. 31.

Then  $\because BC$  is  $\perp$  to both  $AD$  and  $DE$ ,

$\therefore BC$  is  $\perp$  to the plane  $AFD$ ;

XI. 4.

and  $GH$  is  $\parallel$  to  $BC$ ,

$\therefore GH$  is  $\perp$  to the plane  $AFD$ .

XI. 8.

Hence  $GH$  is  $\perp$  to the line  $AF$  in that plane; XI. Def. 2.

and  $\therefore AF$  is  $\perp$  to  $GH$ .

Also,  $AF$  is  $\perp$  to  $DE$ , by construction;

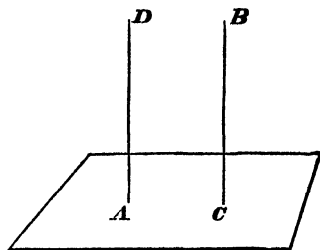
$\therefore AF$  is  $\perp$  to the plane passing through  $GH, DE$ , XI. 4.

that is,  $AF$  is  $\perp$  to the plane  $BH$ .

Thus from  $A$  a line  $AF$  is drawn  $\perp$  to the plane  $BH$ .

## PROPOSITION XII. PROBLEM.

*To erect a straight line at right angles to a given plane, from a given point in the plane.*



Let  $A$  be the given pt. in the given plane.

*It is required to erect a st. line from  $A \perp$  to the plane.*

From any pt.  $B$ , without the plane, draw  $BC \perp$  to it, XI. 11.

and from  $A$  draw  $AD \parallel$  to  $BC$ .

I. 31.

Then  $\because AD, BC$  are two  $\parallel$  st. lines,

of which  $BC$  is  $\perp$  to the given plane,

$\therefore AD$  is  $\perp$  to the plane,

XI. 8.

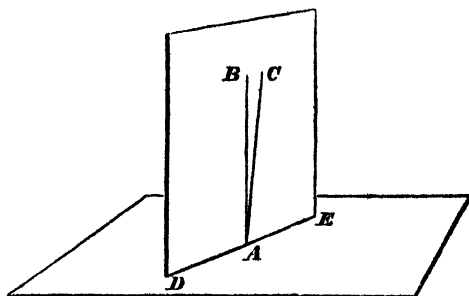
and a line has been erected from  $A \perp$  to the plane.

Q. E. F.



## PROPOSITION XIII. THEOREM.

*From the same point in a given plane, there cannot be two straight lines at right angles to the plane, w<sup>h</sup> on the same side of it; and there can be but one perpendicular to a plane from a point without the plane.*



If it be possible, let two st. lines  $AB$ ,  $AC$ , be at rt.  $\angle$ s to a given plane, from the same pt.  $A$  in the plane, and upon the same side of it.

Let a plane pass through  $AB$ ,  $AC$ : the common section of this with the given plane, is a st. line, passing through  $A$ . XI. 2.

Let  $DAE$  be the common section of the planes.

Then the st. lines  $AB$ ,  $AC$ ,  $DAE$  are in one plane.

And  $\because CA$  is at rt.  $\angle$ s to the given plane,

$\therefore CA$  is at rt.  $\angle$ s to every st. line that meets it in that plane, XI. Def. 2.

and  $DAE$ , which is in that plane, meets it;

$\therefore \angle CAE$  is a rt.  $\angle$ .

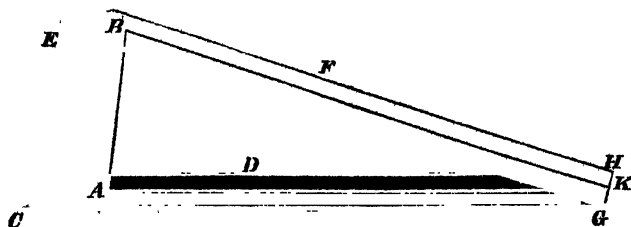
So also,  $\angle BAE$  is a rt.  $\angle$ .

$\therefore \angle CAE = \angle BAE$ , in the same plane; which is impossible.

Also, from a pt., without a plane, there can be but one perpendicular to that plane; for if there could be two, they would be parallel to one another; which is impossible, XI. 6.

## PROPOSITION XIV. THEOREM.

*Planes, to which the same straight line is perpendicular, are parallel to one another.*



Let the st. line  $AB$  be  $\perp$  to each of the planes  $CD, EF$ .

*Then must  $CD$  be parallel to  $EF$*

If not, let them meet, and let the st. line  $GH$  be their common section.

In  $GH$  take any pt.  $K$ , and join  $AK, BK$

Then  $\therefore AB$  is  $\perp$  to the plane  $EF$ ,

$\therefore AB$  is  $\perp$  to  $BK$ , a st. line in that plane, XI. Def. 2.

and  $\angle ABK$  is a rt.  $\angle$ .

So also,  $\angle BAK$  is a rt.  $\angle$ .

Hence two  $\angle$ s of the  $\triangle ABK$  are together = two rt.  $\angle$ s;  
which is impossible. I. 17

$\therefore$  the planes  $CD, EF$  do not meet when produced,

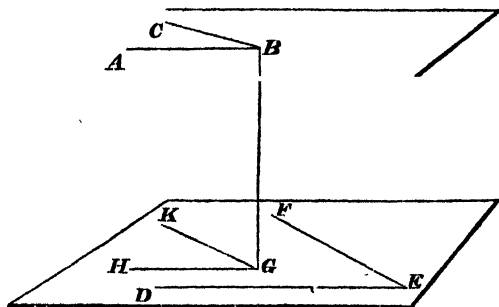
and  $\therefore CD$  is  $\parallel$  to  $EF$ ,

XI. Def. 7.

Q. E. D.

## PROPOSITION XV. THEOREM.

If two straight lines, meeting one another, be parallel to two other straight lines, which meet one another, but are not in the same plane with the first two; the plane, which passes through these, must be parallel to the plane passing through the others.



Let  $AB, BC$ , two st. lines meeting one another, be  $\parallel$  to  $DE, EF$ , which meet one another, but are not in the same plane with  $AB, BC$ .

Then must the plane  $AC$  be  $\parallel$  to the plane  $DF$ .

From  $B$  draw  $BG \perp$  to the plane  $DF$ , meeting it in  $G$ . XI. 11.

Through  $G$  draw  $GH \parallel$  to  $ED$ , and  $GK \parallel$  to  $EF$ . I. 31.

Then  $\therefore BG$  is  $\perp$  to the plane  $DF$ ,

$\therefore BG$  is  $\perp$  to  $GH$  and  $GK$ , lines in that plane,

XI. Def. 2.

and  $\therefore$  each of the  $\angle$ s  $BGH, BGK$  is a rt.  $\angle$ .

Again  $\therefore BA$  and  $GH$  are both  $\parallel$  to  $ED$ ,

$\therefore BA$  is  $\parallel$  to  $GH$ ,

XI. 9.

and  $\therefore \angle$ s  $GBA, BGH$  together = two rt.  $\angle$ s.

I. 29.

But  $\angle BGH$  is a rt.  $\angle$ .

$\therefore \angle GBA$  is a rt.  $\angle$ .

Hence  $GB$  is  $\perp$  to  $BA$ ;

and  $GB$  is  $\perp$  to  $BC$ , for the same reason;

$\therefore GB$  is  $\perp$  to the plane  $AC$ .

XI. 4.

Also,  $GB$  is  $\perp$  to the plane  $DF$ ;

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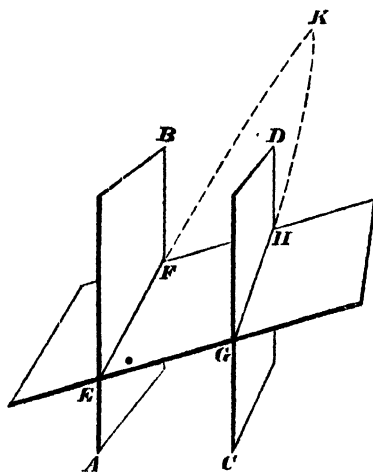
$\therefore$  the plane  $AC$  is  $\parallel$  to the plane  $DF$ .

XI. 14.

Q. E. D.

## PROPOSITION XVI. THEOREM.

*If two parallel planes be cut by another plane, their common sections with it are parallel.*



Let the parallel planes  $AB$ ,  $CD$  be cut by the plane  $EFHG$ , and let their common sections with it be  $EF$ ,  $GH$ .

*Then must  $EF$  be  $\parallel$  to  $GH$ .*

If they be not  $\parallel$ , let them meet in  $K$ .

Then  $\because EF$  is in the plane  $AB$ ,

$\therefore K$  is a point in the plane  $AB$ .

XI. Def. 1.

So also,  $K$  is a point in the plane  $CD$ .

XI. Def. 1.

$\therefore$  the planes  $AB$ ,  $CD$  meet, if produced.

But they do not meet, for they are parallel.

$\therefore EF$  and  $GH$  do not meet, when produced.

And  $EF$ ,  $GH$  are in the same plane  $EFHG$ .

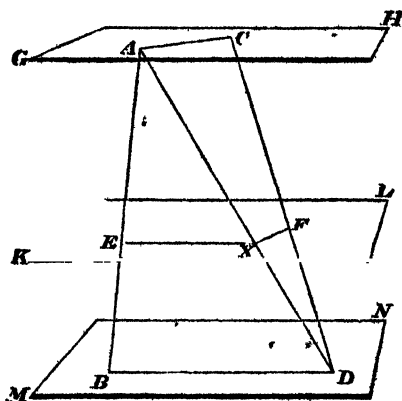
$\therefore EF$  is  $\parallel$  to  $GH$ .

I. Def. 26.

Q. E. D.

## PROPOSITION XVII. THEOREM.

*If two straight lines be cut by parallel planes, they must be cut in the same ratio.*



Let the st. lines  $AB$ ,  $CD$  be cut by the  $\parallel$  planes  $GH$ ,  $KL$ ,  $MN$  in the pts.  $A$ ,  $E$ ,  $B$ ,  $C$ ,  $F$ ,  $D$ .

*Then must  $AE$  be to  $EB$  as  $CF$  is to  $FD$ .*

Join  $AC$ ,  $BD$ ,  $AD$ .

Let  $AD$  meet the plane  $KL$  in the pt.  $X$ ; and join  $EX$ ,  $XF$ .

Then  $\because$  the  $\parallel$  planes  $KL$ ,  $MN$ , are cut by the plane  $EBDX$ ,

$\therefore EX$  is  $\parallel$  to  $BD$ . XI. 16.

And  $\because$  the  $\parallel$  planes  $GH$ ,  $KL$ , are cut by the plane  $AXFC$ ,

$\therefore XF$  is  $\parallel$  to  $AC$ . XI. 16.

Now  $\because EX$  is  $\parallel$  to  $BD$ , a side of  $\triangle ABD$ ,

$\therefore AE$  is to  $EB$  as  $AX$  is to  $XD$ ; VI. 2.

and  $\because XF$  is  $\parallel$  to  $AC$ , a side of  $\triangle ADC$ ,

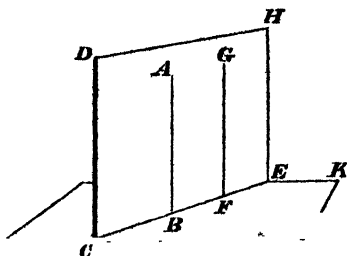
$\therefore AX$  is to  $XD$  as  $CF$  is to  $FD$ . VI. 2.

Hence  $AE$  is to  $EB$  as  $CF$  is to  $FD$ . V. 5.

Q. E. D.

## PROPOSITION XVIII. THEOREM

*If a straight line be at right angles to a plane, every plane, which passes through it, must be at right angles to that plane.*



Let the st. line  $AB$  be  $\perp$  to the plane  $CK$ .

*Then must every plane passing through  $AB$  be  $\perp$  to the plane  $CK$ .*

Let any plane  $DE$  pass through  $AB$ , and let  $CE$  be the common section of the planes  $DE$ ,  $CK$ .

Take any pt.  $F$  in  $CE$ .

In the plane  $DE$  draw  $FG \perp$  to  $CE$ . I. 11.

Then  $\because AB$  is  $\perp$  to the plane  $CK$

$\therefore AB$  is  $\perp$  to  $CE$ , a st. line in that plane ; XI. Def. 2.

and  $\therefore \angle ABF$  is a rt.  $\angle$ .

Now  $\angle GFB$  is a rt.  $\angle$ , by construction ;

$\therefore FG$  is  $\parallel$  to  $AB$ . I. 28.

And  $AB$  is  $\perp$  to the plane  $CK$ ,

$\therefore FG$  is  $\perp$  to the plane  $CK$ . XI. 8.

Then  $\because FG$ , a st. line in the plane  $DE$ , drawn  $\perp$  to  $CE$ , the common section of  $DE$  and  $CK$ , is  $\perp$  to  $CK$ ,

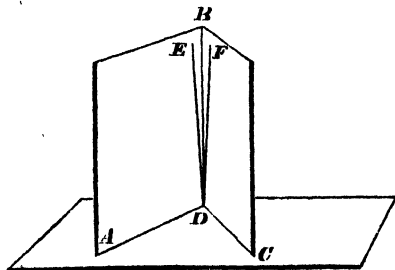
$\therefore$  the plane  $DE$  is  $\perp$  to the plane  $CK$ . XI. Def. 3.

So it may be proved that all planes, which pass through  $AB$ , are  $\perp$  to the plane  $CK$ .

Q. E. D.

PROPOSITION XIX. THEOREM.

*If two planes, which cut one another, be each of them perpendicular to a third plane. their common section must be perpendicular to the same plane.*



Let the two planes  $AB$ ,  $BC$  be each  $\perp$  to a third plane, and let  $BD$  be the common section of  $AB$  and  $BC$ .

*Then must  $BD$  be  $\perp$  to the third plane.*

If it be not, draw, in the plane  $AB$ , the st. line  $DE \perp$  to  $AD$ , the common section of  $AB$  with the third plane ; I. 11.

and draw, in the plane  $BC$ , the st. line  $DF \perp$  to  $DC$ , the common section of  $BC$  with the third plane. I. 11.

Then  $\because$  the plane  $AB$  is  $\perp$  to the third plane,  
and  $DE$  is drawn in the plane  $AB \perp$  to the common section,  
 $\therefore DE$  is  $\perp$  to the third plane. XI. Def. 3.

So also,  $DF$  is  $\perp$  to the third plane.

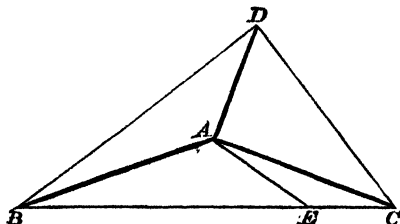
Hence, from the pt.  $D$ , two st. lines are drawn  $\perp$  to the third plane, and on the same side of it ; which is impossible. XI. 13.

$\therefore$  no other line but  $BD$  can be  $\perp$  to the third plane at  $D$  ;

$\therefore BD$  is  $\perp$  to the third plane.

## PROPOSITION XX. THEOREM.

*If a solid angle be contained by three plane angles, any two of them must be together greater than the third.*



Let the solid  $\angle$  at  $A$  be contained by the three plane  $\angle$ s  $BAC$ ,  $CAD$ ,  $DAB$ .

*Any two of these must be together greater than the third.*

If the  $\angle$ s  $BAC$ ,  $CAD$ ,  $DAB$ , be all equal, any two of them are together greater than the third.

If they are not equal, let  $BAC$  be that  $\angle$ , which is not less than either of the other two, and is greater than one of them,  $DAB$ .

At  $A$ , in the plane passing through  $AB$ ,  $AC$ , make  $\angle BAE = \angle DAB$ , I. 23.

and make  $AE = AD$ , and through  $E$  draw the st. line  $BEC$ , cutting  $AB$ ,  $AC$ , in the pts.  $B$ ,  $C$ ; and join  $DB$ ,  $DC$ .

Then in  $\triangle$ s  $ABD$ ,  $ABE$ ,

$\therefore AD = AE$ , and  $AB$  is common, and  $\angle BAD = \angle BAE$ ,

$\therefore DB = BE$ . I. 4.

Then  $\therefore DB$ ,  $DC$  together are greater than  $BC$ , I. 20.

and  $DB = BE$ , a part of  $BC$ ,

$\therefore DC$  is greater than  $EC$ .

Then in  $\triangle$ s  $ADC$ ,  $AEC$ ,

$\therefore AD = AE$ , and  $AC$  is common, and  $DC$  greater than  $EC$ ,

$\therefore \angle DAC$  is greater than  $\angle EAC$ . I. 25.

Also, by construction,  $\angle DAB = \angle BAE$ ,

$\therefore \angle$ s  $DAC$ ,  $DAB$  together are greater than  $\angle$ s  $BAE$ ,  $EAC$  together;

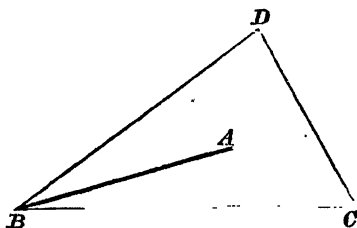
that is,  $\angle$ s  $DAC$ ,  $DAB$  together are greater than  $\angle BAC$ .

Again,  $\angle BAC$  is not less than either of the  $\angle$ s  $DAC$ ,  $DAB$ , and  $\therefore \angle BAC$  with either of them is greater than the other.



## PROPOSITION XXI. THEOREM.

*Every solid angle is contained by plane angles, which are together less than four right angles.*



First, let the solid  $\angle$  at  $A$  be contained by three plane  $\angle$  s  $BAC$ ,  $CAD$ ,  $DAB$ .

*These shall be together less than four right angles.*

Take, in each of the st. lines  $AB$ ,  $AC$ ,  $AD$ , any points  $B$ ,  $C$ ,  $D$ , and join  $BC$ ,  $CD$ ,  $DB$ .

Then  $\therefore$  the solid  $\angle$  at  $B$  is contained by the three plane  $\angle$  s  $CBA$ ,  $ABD$ ,  $DBC$ ,

$\therefore \angle$  s  $CBA$ ,  $ABD$  are together greater than  $\angle DBC$ . XI.20.

So also,  $\angle$  s  $BCA$ ,  $ACD$  are together greater than  $\angle BCD$ ,

and  $\angle$  s  $CDA$ ,  $ADB$  are together greater than  $\angle CDB$ .

$\therefore$  the six  $\angle$  s  $CBA$ ,  $ABD$ ,  $BCA$ ,  $ACD$ ,  $CDA$ ,  $ADB$  are together greater than the three  $\angle$  s  $DBC$ ,  $BCD$ ,  $CDB$ , and are  $\therefore$  together greater than two rt.  $\angle$  s.

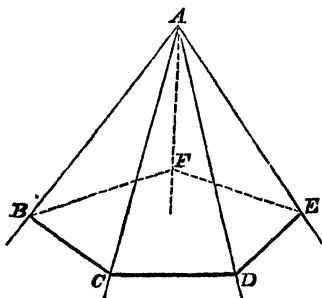
Again,  $\therefore$  the three  $\angle$  s of each of the  $\Delta$  s  $ABC$ ,  $ACD$ ,  $ADB$  are together equal to two rt.  $\angle$  s, I. 32.

$\therefore$  the nine  $\angle$  s  $CBA$ ,  $BAC$ ,  $ACB$ ,  $ACD$ ,  $CDA$ ,  $DAC$ ,  $ADB$ ,  $DBA$ ,  $BAD$  are together equal to six rt.  $\angle$  s; and of these the six  $\angle$  s  $CBA$ ,  $ACB$ ,  $ACD$ ,  $CDA$ ,  $ADB$ ,  $DBA$ , have been proved to be together greater than two rt.  $\angle$  s,

and  $\therefore$  the three  $\angle$  s  $BAC$ ,  $CAD$ ,  $DAB$ , which contain the solid  $\angle$  at  $A$ , are together less than four rt.  $\angle$  s.

NEXT, let the solid  $\angle$  at  $A$  be contained by any number of plane  $\angle$  s  $BAC, CAD, DAE, EAF, FAB$ .

*These must be together less than four rt.  $\angle$  s.*



Let the planes, in which the  $\angle$  s are, be cut by a plane, and let the common sections of it with those planes be  $BC, CD, DE, EF, FB$ .

Then  $\therefore$  the solid  $\angle$  at  $B$  is contained by the three plane  $\angle$  s  $CBA, ABF, FBC$ , of which any two are together greater than the third, XI. 20.

$\therefore \angle$  s  $CBA, ABF$  are together greater than  $\angle FBC$ .

So also, the two plane  $\angle$  s at each of the pts.  $C, D, E, F$ , which are at the bases of the  $\Delta$  s having the common vertex  $A$ , are together greater than the third  $\angle$  at the same pt., which is one of the  $\angle$  s of the polygon  $BCDEF$ .

$\therefore$  all the  $\angle$  s at the bases of the  $\Delta$  s are together greater than all the  $\angle$  s of the polygon.

Now all the  $\angle$  s of the  $\Delta$  s together = twice as many rt.  $\angle$  s as there are  $\Delta$  s, that is, as there are sides in the polygon  $BCDEF$ : I. 32.

and all the  $\angle$  s of the polygon, together with four rt.  $\angle$  s, together = twice as many rt.  $\angle$  s as there are sides in the polygon. I. 32. Cor. 1

$\therefore$  all the  $\angle$  s of the  $\Delta$  s together = all the  $\angle$  s of the polygon together with four rt.  $\angle$  s.

But all the  $\angle$  s at the bases of the  $\Delta$  s have been proved to be together greater than all the  $\angle$  s of the polygon;

$\therefore$  all the  $\angle$  s at the vertex  $A$  are together less than four rt.  $\angle$  s.

*Miscellaneous Exercises on Book XI.*

1. If two straight lines in one plane, be equally inclined to another plane, they will be equally inclined to the common section of the two planes.

2. Two planes intersect at right angles in the line  $AB$ ; from a point  $C$  in this line are drawn  $CE$  and  $CF$  in one of the planes, so that the angle  $ACE$  is equal to  $BCF$ . Shew that  $CE$  and  $CF$  will make equal angles with any line through  $C$  in the other plane.

3.  $ABC$  is a triangle; the perpendiculars from  $A, B$ , on the opposite sides, meet in  $D$ , and through  $D$  is drawn a straight line, perpendicular to the plane of the triangle; if  $E$  be any point in this line, shew that  $EA, BC$ ;  $EB, CA$ ; and  $EC, AB$ ; are respectively perpendicular to each other.

4. A number of planes have a common line of intersection: what is the locus of the feet of perpendiculars on them from a given point?

5. Two perpendiculars are let fall from any point on two given planes: shew that the angle between the perpendiculars will be equal to the angle of inclination of the planes to one another.

6. If perpendiculars  $AF, A'F'$ , be drawn to a plane from two points  $A, A'$ , above it, and a plane be drawn through  $A$  perpendicular to  $AA'$ , its line of intersection with the given plane is perpendicular to  $FF'$ .

7. Prove that equal straight lines drawn from a given point to a plane are equally inclined to the plane.

8. Prove that the inclination of a plane to a plane is equal to the angle between the perpendiculars to the two planes.

9. From a point above a plane two straight lines are drawn, the one at right angles to the plane, the other at right angles

to a given line in that plane : shew that the straight line joining the feet of the perpendiculars is at right angles to the given line.

10. In how many ways may a solid angle be formed with equilateral triangles and squares ?

11. Two planes are inclined to each other at a given angle. Cut them by a third plane, so that its intersections with the given planes shall be perpendicular to each other.

12.  $AB$ ,  $AC$ ,  $AD$ , are three given straight lines, at right angles to one another.  $AE$  is drawn perpendicular to  $CD$ , and  $BE$  is joined. Shew that  $BE$  is perpendicular to  $CD$ .

13. Two walls meet at any angle. Shew how to draw on their surfaces the shortest line joining a point on one to a point on the other.

14. Straight lines are drawn from two points to meet each other in a given plane. Find when their sum is the least possible.

15. If two parallel planes be cut by a third plane in the straight lines  $AB$ ,  $ab$ , and by a fourth plane in the straight lines  $AC$ ,  $ac$  respectively, the angle  $BAC$  will be equal to the angle  $bac$ .

16. If four points be so situated, that the distance between each pair is equal to the distance between the other pair, prove that the angles subtended at any one point by each pair of the others are together equal to two right angles.

17. Give a geometrical construction for drawing a straight line, which shall be equally inclined to three straight lines, meeting at a point.

18. A triangular pyramid stands on an equilateral base. The angles at its vertex are right angles. The square on the perpendicular from the vertex on the base is one-third of the square on either of the edges.

19. If one of the plane angles, forming a solid angle, be a right angle, and the sum of the other two be equal to two right angles, and a plane be drawn, cutting off equal lengths from the two edges, containing the right angle, the sum of the squares on the three straight lines, subtending the plane angles, will be double of the squares on the three edges, containing them.

20. If  $P$  be a point in a plane, which meets the containing edges of a solid angle in  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $C$ , and  $O$  be the angular point, shew that the angles  $POA$ ,  $POB$ ,  $POC$  are together greater than half the angles  $AOB$ ,  $BOC$ ,  $COA$ , together.

## BOOK XII.

### LEMMA.

*If from the greater of two unequal magnitudes of the same kind there be taken more than its half, and from the remainder more than its half, and so on, there must at length remain a magnitude less than the smaller of the proposed magnitudes.*

Let  $A$  and  $B$  be two unequal magnitudes of the same kind, of which  $A$  is the greater.

*Then if from  $A$  there be taken more than its half, and from the remainder more than its half, and so on; there must at length remain a magnitude less than  $B$ .*

Take a multiple of  $B$ , as  $mB$ , greater than  $A$ ; and divide  $A$ , by the process indicated, taking from it a magnitude greater than its half, and from the remainder a magnitude greater than its half, and carry this process on till there are  $m$  divisions, and call the parts successively taken away

$C, D, E, F \dots \dots \dots Z$

Now  $mB = B, B, B \dots \dots \dots$  repeated  $m$  times, and  $A$  is greater than the sum of  $C, D, E, \dots Z \dots m$  in number.

Then  $Z$ , the last remainder, must be less than  $B$ .

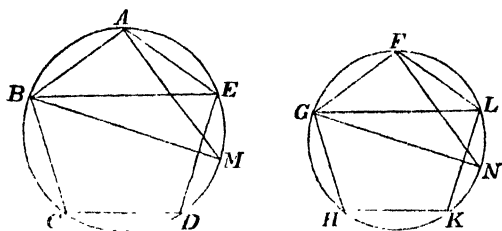
For if not, since each of the preceding remainders is greater than  $Z$ , each of them would be greater than  $B$ , and the sum of  $C, D, \dots Z$  would therefore be greater than  $mB$ ; that is,  $A$  would be greater than  $mB$ , which is contrary to the hypothesis.

$\therefore Z$  is less than  $B$ .

Q. E. D.

## PROPOSITION I. THEOREM.

*Similar polygons inscribed in circles are to one another as the squares on the diameters of the circles.*



Let  $ABCDE$ ,  $FGHLK$  be similar polygons inscribed in two  $\odot$ s, and let  $BM$  and  $GN$  be diameters of the  $\odot$ s.

*Then must polygon  $ABCDE$  be to polygon  $FGHLK$  as sq. on  $BM$  is to sq. on  $GN$ .*

Join  $AM$ ,  $BE$ ;  $FN$ ,  $GL$ .

Then  $\triangle BAE$  is equiangular to  $\triangle GFL$ . VI. 21.

$\therefore \angle AEB = \angle FLG$ .

But  $\angle AMB = \angle AEB$ , in the same segment, III. 21.

and  $\angle FNG = \angle FLG$ , in the same segment,

$\therefore \angle AMB = \angle FNG$ .

also,  $\angle BAM = \angle GFN$ , each being a rt.  $\angle$ , III. 31.

$\therefore \triangle ABM$  is equiangular to  $\triangle FGN$ ,

$\therefore AB$  is to  $BM$  as  $FG$  is to  $GN$ , VI. 4.

and  $\therefore AB$  is to  $FG$  as  $BM$  is to  $GN$ . V. 15.

$\therefore$  the duplicate ratio of  $AB$  to  $FG$  = the duplicate ratio of  $BM$  to  $GN$ . V. 21.

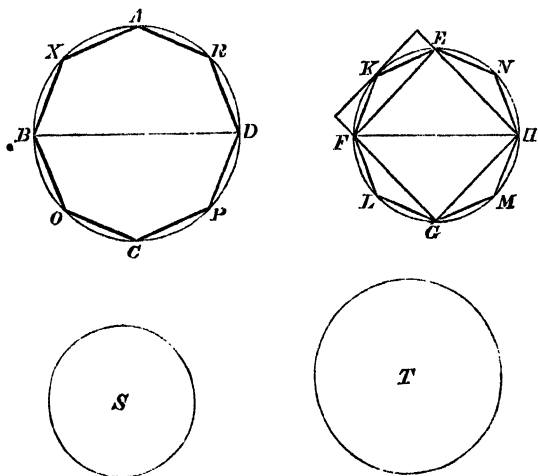
But polygon  $ABCDE$  has to polygon  $FGHLK$  the duplicate ratio of  $AB$  to  $FG$ . VI. 21.

And sq. on  $BM$  has to sq. on  $GN$  the duplicate ratio of  $BM$  to  $GN$ . VI. 21.

$\therefore$  polygon  $ABCDE$  is to polygon  $FGHLK$  as sq. on  $BM$  is to sq. on  $GN$ . V. 5.

## PROPOSITION II. THEOREM.

*Circles are to one another as the squares on their diameters.*



Let  $ABCD$ ,  $EFGH$  be two  $\odot$ s, and  $BD$ ,  $FH$  their diameters :

*Then must  $\odot ABCD$  be to  $\odot EFGH$  as sq. on  $BD$  is to sq. on  $FH$ .*

For, if not, sq. on  $BD$  must be to sq. on  $FH$  as  $\odot ABCD$  is to some space either less than  $\odot EFGH$ , or greater than it.

First, if possible, let it be as  $\odot ABCD$  is to a space  $S$  less than  $\odot EFGH$ .

In  $\odot EFGH$  describe the square  $EFGH$ . IV. 6.

This square is greater than half of the  $\odot EFGH$ .

For the sq.  $EFGH$  is half of the square, which can be formed by drawing straight lines to touch the circle at the points  $E$ ,  $F$ ,  $G$ ,  $H$ ; and the square thus formed is greater than the  $\odot$ ;

$\therefore$  sq.  $EFGH$  is greater than half of the  $\odot$ .



Bisect the arcs  $EF$ ,  $FG$ ,  $GH$ ,  $HE$  at the pts.  $K$ ,  $L$ ,  $M$ ,  $N$ , and join  $EK$ ,  $KF$ ,  $FL$ ,  $LG$ ,  $GM$ ,  $MH$ ,  $HN$ ,  $NE$ .

Then each of the  $\Delta$ s  $EKF$ ,  $FLG$ ,  $GMH$ ,  $HNE$ , is greater than half of the segment of the circle in which it stands.

For  $\Delta EKF$  = half of the  $\square$ , formed by drawing a st. line to touch the  $\odot$  at  $K$ , and parallel st. lines through  $E$  and  $F$ ; and the  $\square$  thus formed is greater than the segment  $FEK$ ;

$\therefore \Delta EKF$  is greater than half of the segment  $FEK$ , and similarly for the other  $\Delta$ s.

$\therefore$  sum of all these triangles is greater than half of the sum of the segments of the  $\odot$ , in which they stand.

Next, bisect  $EK$ ,  $KF$ , etc., and form  $\Delta$ s as before.

Then the sum of these  $\Delta$ s is greater than half of the sum of the segments of the  $\odot$ , in which they stand.

If this process be continued, and the  $\Delta$ s be supposed to be taken away, there will at length remain segments of  $\odot$ s, which are together less than the excess of the  $\odot$   $EFGH$  above the space  $S$ , by the Lemma.

Let segments  $EK$ ,  $KF$ ,  $FL$ ,  $LG$ ,  $GM$ ,  $MH$ ,  $HN$ ,  $NE$  be those which remain, and which are together less than the excess of the  $\odot$  of the above  $S$ .

Then the rest of the  $\odot$ , i.e. the polygon  $EKFLGMHN$ , is greater than  $S$ .

In  $\odot ABCD$  inscribe the polygon  $AXBOCPDR$  similar to the polygon  $EKFLGMHN$ .

The polygon  $AXBOCPDR$  is to polygon  $EKFLGMHN$  as sq. on  $BD$  is to sq. on  $FH$ ,

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that is, as  $\odot ABCD$  is to the space  $S$ . Hyp. and V. 5.

But the polygon  $AXBOCPDR$  is less than  $\odot ABCD$ ,

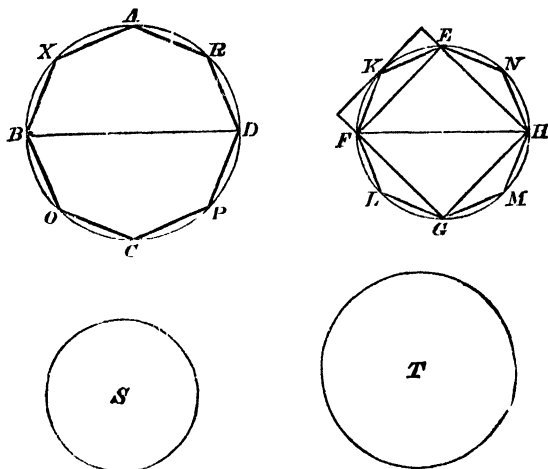
$\therefore$  the polygon  $EKFLGMHN$  is less than the space  $S$ ; V. 14. but it is also greater, which is impossible;

$\therefore$  sq. on  $BD$  is not to sq. on  $FH$  as  $\odot ABCD$  is to any space less than  $\odot EFGH$ .

In the same way it may be shown that

sq. on  $FH$  is not to sq. on  $BD$  as  $\odot EFGH$  is to any space less than  $\odot ABCD$ .

Nor is sq. on  $BD$  to sq. on  $FH$  as  $\odot ABCD$  is to any space greater than  $\odot EFGH$ .



For, if possible, let it be as  $\odot ABCD$  is to a space  $T$ , greater than  $\odot EFGH$ .

Then, inversely, sq. on  $FH$  is to sq. on  $BD$  as space  $T$  is to  $\odot ABCD$ .

But as space  $T$  is to  $\odot ABCD$  so is  $\odot EFGH$  to some space, which must be less than  $\odot ABCD$ , because space  $T$  is greater than  $\odot EFGH$ . V. 14.

$\therefore$  sq. on  $FH$  is to sq. on  $BD$  as  $\odot EFGH$  is to some space less than  $\odot ABCD$ ; which has been shewn to be impossible.

$\therefore$  sq. on  $BD$  is not to sq. on  $FH$  as  $\odot ABCD$  is to any space greater than  $\odot EFGH$ .

And it has been shown that

sq. on  $BD$  is not to sq. on  $FH$  as  $\odot ABCD$  is to any space less than  $\odot EFGH$ .

$\therefore$  sq. on  $BD$  is to sq. on  $FH$  as  $\odot ABCD$  is to  $\odot EFGH$ .

Q. E. D

*Papers on Euclid (Books VI., XI., and XII.) set in the  
Cambridge Mathematical Tripos.*

1849. vi. 4. Apply this proposition to prove that the rectangle, contained by the segments of any chord, passing through a given point within a circle, is constant.
- xi. 11. Prove that equal right lines, drawn from a given point to a given plane, are equally inclined to the plane.
1850. vi. 10.  $AB$  is a diameter, and  $P$  any point in the circumference of a circle;  $AP$  and  $BP$  are joined and produced, if necessary; if from any point  $C$  of  $AB$  a perpendicular be drawn to  $AB$ , meeting  $AP$  and  $BP$  in points  $D$  and  $E$  respectively, and the circumference of the circle in a point  $F$ , shew that  $CD$  is a third proportional to  $CE$  and  $CF$ .
1851. vi. 3. If  $A, B, C$  be three points in a straight line, and  $D$  a point, at which  $AB$  and  $BC$  subtend equal angles, show that the locus of the point  $D$  is a circle.
- xi. 8. From a point  $E$  draw  $EC, ED$  perpendicular to two planes  $CAB, DAB$ , which intersect in  $AB$ , and from  $D$  draw  $DF$  perpendicular to the plane  $CAB$ , meeting it in  $F$ : shew that the line, joining the points  $C$  and  $F$ , produced if necessary, is perpendicular to  $AB$ .
1852. vi. 2. If two triangles be on equal bases, and between the same parallels, any line, parallel to their bases, will cut off equal areas from the two triangles.

1852. XI. 11.  $ABCD$  is a regular tetrahedron, and, from the vertex  $A$ , a perpendicular is drawn to the base  $BCD$ , meeting it in  $O$ : shew that three times the square on  $AO$  is equal to twice the square on  $AB$ .
1853. VI. 6. If the vertical angle  $C$ , of a triangle  $ABC$ , be bisected by a line, which meets the base in  $D$ , and is produced to a point  $E$ , such that the rectangle, contained by  $CD$  and  $CE$ , is equal to the rectangle, contained by  $AC$  and  $CB$ : shew that if the base and vertical angle be given, the position of  $E$  is invariable.
- XI. 21. If  $BCD$  be the common base of two pyramids, whose vertices  $A$  and  $A'$  lie in a plane passing through  $BC$ , and if the two lines  $AB$ ,  $AC$ , be respectively perpendicular to the faces  $BA'D$ ,  $CA'D$ , prove that one of the angles at  $A$ , together with the angles at  $A'$ , make up four right angles.
1854. VI. 16.  $EA$ ,  $EA'$  are diameters of two circles, touching each other externally at  $E$ ; a chord  $AB$  of the former circle, when produced, touches the latter at  $C'$ , while a chord  $A'B'$  of the latter touches the former at  $C$ : prove that the rectangle, contained by  $AB$  and  $A'B'$ , is four times as great as that contained by  $BC'$  and  $B'C$ .
- XI. 20. Within the area of a given triangle is described a triangle, the sides of which are parallel to those of the given one: prove that the sum of the angles, subtended by the sides of the interior triangle, at any point, not in the plane of the triangles, is less than the sum of the angles, subtended at the same point by the sides of the exterior triangle.
1855. VI. 2. A tangent to a circle, at the point  $A$ , intersects two parallel tangents in  $B$ ,  $C$ , the points of

contact of which with the circle are  $D, E$ , respectively: shew that if  $BE, CD$ , intersect in  $F$ ,  $AF$  is parallel to the tangents  $BD, CE$ .

1855. XI. 16. From the extremities of the two parallel straight lines  $AB, CD$ , parallel lines  $Aa, Bb, Cc, Dd$ , are drawn, meeting a plane in  $a, b, c, d$ : prove that  $AB$  is to  $CD$  as  $ab$  is to  $cd$ , taking the case, in which  $A, B, C, D$  are on the same side of the plane.
1856. VI. Def. 1. Enunciate the propositions, which prove that in the case of triangles the conditions of similarity are not independent.
- XI. 11. Shew that the perpendicular, dropped from the vertex of a regular tetrahedron upon the opposite base, is treble of that dropped from its own foot upon any of the other bases.
1857. VI. 19. Any two straight lines,  $BB', CC'$ , drawn parallel to the base  $DD'$ , of a triangle  $ADD'$ , cut  $AD$  in  $B, C$ , and  $AD'$  in  $B', C'$ ;  $BC, B'C$ , are joined. prove that the area  $ABC'$  or  $AB'C$  varies as the rectangle, contained by  $BB', CC'$ .
- XI. 16. A triangular pyramid stands on an equilateral base, and the angles at the vertex are right angles: shew that the sum of the perpendiculars on the faces, from any point of the base, is constant.
1858. VI. 15. Find a point in the side of a triangle, from which two lines, drawn one to the opposite angle, and the other parallel to the base, shall cut off, towards the vertex and towards the base, equal triangles.
- XI. 11. Two planes intersect: shew that the loci of the points, from which perpendiculars on the planes are equal to a given straight line, are straight lines; and that four planes may be

drawn, each passing through two of these lines, such that the perpendiculars, from any point in the line of intersection of the given planes, upon any one of the four planes, shall be equal to the given line.

1859. VI. 31. Shew that, on a given straight line, there may be described as many polygons of different magnitudes, similar to a given polygon, as there are sides of different lengths in the polygon.

XI. 20. Three straight lines, not in the same plane, intersect in a point, and through their point of intersection another straight line is drawn within the solid angle formed by them : prove that the angles, which this straight line makes with the first three, are together less than the sum, but greater than half the sum of the angles which the first three make with each other.

1860. VI. A. If the two sides, containing the angle, through which the bisecting line is drawn, be equal, interpret the result of the proposition.

Prove from this proposition and the preceding, that the straight lines, bisecting one angle of a triangle internally, and the other two externally, pass through the same point.

XI. 17. If three straight lines, which do not all lie in one plane, be cut in the same ratio by three planes, two of which are parallel, shew that the third will be parallel to the other two, if its intersections with the three straight lines are not all in one straight line.

1861. VI. 6. From the angular points of a parallelogram  $ABCD$ , perpendiculars are drawn on the diagonals, meeting them in  $E, F, G, H$  re-

spectively ; prove that  $EFGH$  is a parallelogram similar to  $ABCD$ .

1861. XI. 12. Shew that the shortest distance between two opposite edges of a regular tetrahedron is equal to half the diagonal of the square, described on an edge.

1862. VI. 1. Lines are drawn from two of the angular points of a triangle, to divide the opposite sides in a given ratio ; prove that the line, joining the third angular point with the point of intersection of these two lines, either bisects the opposite side, or divides it in a ratio which is the duplicate of the given ratio.

XI. 21. If four points be so situated that the distance between each pair is equal to the distance between the other pair, prove that the angles subtended at any one of these points by each pair of the others, are together equal to two right angles.

1863. VI. 4. The internal angles at the base of a triangle, and the external angle at the vertex, are bisected by straight lines ; prove that the three points, in which these straight lines meet the opposite sides respectively, lie on one straight line.

XI. 17. If each edge of a tetrahedron be equal to the opposite edge, the straight line, joining the middle points of any two opposite edges, shall be at right angles to each of those edges.

1864. VI. 23. If one parallelogram have to another parallelogram the ratio, which is compounded of the ratios of their sides, the parallelograms shall be equiangular.

XI. 12. On a given equilateral triangle describe a regular tetrahedron.

1865. VI. 19. The opposite sides  $BA$ ,  $CD$  of a quadrilateral  $ABCD$ , which can be inscribed in a circle, meet, when produced, in  $E$ ;  $F$  is the point of intersection of the diagonals, and  $EF$  meets  $AD$  in  $G$ : prove that the rectangle  $EA$ ,  $AB$  is to the rectangle  $ED$ ,  $DC$  as  $AG$  is to  $GD$ .
- XI. 16. In the triangular pyramid  $ABCD$ ,  $AB$  is at right angles to  $CD$ , and  $AC$  to  $BD$ : prove that  $AD$  is at right angles to  $BC$ .
1866. VI. 4.  $ABC$  is an isosceles triangle;  $AE$  is the perpendicular from  $A$  on the base  $BC$ ;  $D$  is any point in  $AE$ ; and  $CD$  produced meets the side  $AB$  at  $F$ : shew that the ratio of  $AD$  to  $DE$  is double of the ratio of  $AF$  to  $FB$ .
- XII. 1. Give an outline of Euclid's demonstration that circles are to one another as the squares on their diameters.
1867. VI. A. Each acute angle of a right-angled triangle and its corresponding exterior angle are bisected by straight lines meeting the opposite sides; prove that the rectangle, contained by the portions of those sides intercepted between the bisecting lines is four times the square on the hypotenuse.
- XI. 21. Two pyramids are described, the one standing on a square as a base, the other on a regular octagon, the vertex of each being equally distant from the angular points of its base; if this distance be the same for each pyramid, and the perimeters of the bases be equal, prove that the plane angles, containing the solid angle at the vertex of the former, are together greater than the plane angles, containing the solid angle at the vertex of the latter.
1868. VI. 2. Without assuming any subsequent proposition, prove that the equiangular triangles in either



of the figures of this proposition, are to each other in the duplicate ratio of the sides opposite to the equal angles.

1868. XI. 11. Of the least angles, which a given line in one plane makes with any line in another plane, the greatest for different positions of the given line is that which measures the inclination of the two planes.
1869. XI. 20. If  $O$  be a point, within a tetrahedron  $ABCD$ , prove that the three angles of the solid angle, subtended by  $BCD$  at  $O$ , are together greater than the three angles of the solid angle at  $A$ .
1870. VI. 15. Two straight lines are given in position, and a third straight line is drawn so as to cut off a triangle equal to a given triangle; through the middle point of this third side is drawn a straight line in a given direction, terminated by the two given straight lines: prove that the rectangle under the segments of the intercepted part is constant.
- XI. 7. In a tetrahedron each edge is perpendicular to the direction of the opposite edge; prove that the straight line joining the centre of the sphere, circumscribing the tetrahedron, to the middle point of any edge, is equal and parallel to the straight line joining the centre of perpendiculars to the middle point of the opposite edge.
1871. VI. 2.  $ABC$  is a triangle, and lines  $AO$ ,  $BO$ ,  $CO$  cut the opposite sides in  $D$ ,  $E$ ,  $F$ ; if  $EF$  cut  $BC$  in  $G$ , prove that  $BD$  is to  $DC$  as  $BG$  is to  $GC$ .
- XI. 11. The perpendiculars from the angular points of a tetrahedron on the opposite faces meet in a point: prove that the necessary and sufficient condition for this is that the sums of the squares on pairs on opposite edges be equal.

1872. VI. 2. Draw through a point a straight line, so that the part of it intercepted between a given straight line and a given circle may be divided at the given point in a given ratio. Between what limits must the ratio lie in order that a solution may be possible?

XI. 20. If the opposite edges of a tetrahedron be equal two and two, prove that the faces are acute-angled triangles. Prove also that a tetrahedron can be formed of any four equal and similar acute-angled triangles.



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